

ENEMY SUB SUNK OFF CALIFORNIA; TWO JAPANESE SHIPS ARE SMASHED

British Again Enter Bengasi, Continue To Pursue Axis Troops

German and Italian Forces, Fleeing
Toward Tripolitania, Hammered
by RAF and Land Soldiers.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CAIRO, Dec. 25.—British troops have taken over the ruins of Bengasi, capital of Cirenaica and second largest town in the Fascist North African empire, and air and land forces are hammering on in relentless pursuit of Axis forces fleeing westward into Tripolitania, a communiqué announced officially today.

Nazis Stiffen Resistance to Red Counter

Fierce Battle Rages as Germans Hammer at Sebastopol.

MOSCOW, Dec. 25.—(P)—Stiffening German resistance to the Russian counteroffensive on the Moscow, Leningrad and Ukraine fronts was acknowledged in front line dispatches tonight, while in the far southern Crimean theater a fierce battle raged as the Germans strove to batter their way through the last defenses of besieged Sebastopol.

By Russian count, at least 20,000 Germans—or about half the Nazi forces on the Sebastopol front—were killed in a furious six-day battle which the Russians said failed to crack their stubborn resistance before the big Black sea naval base.

Crack Unit Falls.

In desperate attempts to reinforce the depleted German ranks, Soviet dispatches said, the German 170th infantry division was rushed to the front, but in eight successive assaults this crack unit was reported repulsed.

Elsewhere, the Russians acknowledged that the retreating German had recoiled with counterattacks which, though strong, failed to halt the Soviet advances. Nine German planes, including one new Messerschmitt 115, were reported shot down on the approaches to Moscow on Christmas Eve.

With the German menace to Moscow receding, 30 Americans and Britons who had returned to the capital, celebrated Christmas as guests of the United States embassy staff members who remained when the Moscow diplomatic corps withdrew.

Nazis Wiped Out.

The Russians reported that Red army troops were pressing forward from Tula, 110 miles south of Moscow, and from Kalinin, 95 miles northwest.

A German battalion which attempted to check the Soviet march in the Tula region was declared to have been wiped out, with the Nazis losing 300 dead.

"German soldiers taken prisoner during the last few days testify to the great losses sustained by the German armies and to further deterioration of the German fighting spirit," a communiqué said.

Two Dead, Four Seriously Hurt In 45 Holiday Traffic Crashes

Two persons were killed, four seriously hurt and nine others suffered lesser injuries Christmas Eve and Christmas Day as autos in 45 accidents took heavy toll of riders, pedestrians, bicyclists and skaters.

Miss Annette Jones, 23, employee of Lane Drug stores, died at Gladys Lee's funeral.

This Year when struck by a car at Alexander street and Techwood drive. The driver listed by police as W. B. Kent.

40 Last Year, of 1582 Elixir avenue, was charged with reckless driving.

Miss Jones was survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jones, two sisters, Miss Zora and Flora Jones, and two brothers, Alex and A. C. Jones. She lived at 226 Alexander street, N. W.

Funeral services will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at

Spring Hill, with Dr. Lester Rumball officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood cemetery.

An unidentified Negro man died at Gladys Lee's funeral.

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He was struck by a car at Spring street and Plaza way. Police preferred charges of reckless driving against Robert A. Vickers, 20, of 665 Gordon place.

Joe Palmer, 177 Beroean avenue, suffered head injuries when the car in which he was riding with James McGee, 948 Kirkwood avenue, struck a car driven by James Lee Andrews, of 1261 West Peachtree street. Andrews was charged with drunken driving and leaving the scene of an accident.

Winston Cansler, 19 of 214 Ponce de Leon avenue, suffered head injuries when the car in which he was riding with H. B. Kent, 35, of 214 Ponce de Leon avenue, struck the rear of a car driven by Mrs. Alexander street, N. W.

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TOMMY'S THUMBS ARE UP—A lone Tommy Atkins gets his Christmas cheer by escorting to the rear, destined for a prison camp, a group of Axis prisoners captured by the Tobruk garrison during the current desert offensive of the British in Libya. The men of Tobruk

spent long months penned up in their coastal stronghold, but when they broke out they came fighting. British armored divisions yesterday were racing to keep the Germans and Italians from escaping from the North African area.

10 Killed, 22 Injured as Bus Crashes, Burns

Vehicle Hits Auto- mobile, Smashes Oil Tank and Catches Fire.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 25.—(P)—Shrieking and screaming in the quiet of Christmas morning, 10 persons suffered an agonizing death and 22 others were injured today in the flaming wreckage of a bus.

A military commentator in London said it appeared that Bengasi had been evacuated by the Italians and fell without opposition since a single regiment apparently entered alone. He said the devastation might have been caused by the Italians blowing up buildings before leaving or possibly from repeated RAF raids on the town.

Occupation of the harbor brought the British advance 340 miles by road from the Egyptian frontier and 200 miles from Tobruk.

Through rain and mud British mobile columns bypassed the town to press after the main Axis forces.

Observers in London said the retreating Germans appeared to have been separated into a number of relatively small contingents while the whole of the Italian force seemed to have been cut off from all possible retreat.

Round at Airdromes.

(Some of the Germans, it was conceded by commentators, possibly got past the main British force which raced across the desert to intercept them before they could swing westward from Agedabia toward Tripolitania.)

The British communiqué said "small bodies of enemy troops, believed almost entirely Italian, still remain in the area northeast of Bengasi and are being dealt with."

Despite the weather, the RAF and the SAAF pounded at airfields and motorized convoys racing toward Tripolitania.

As troops took over former Axis airfields they found the wrecks of planes caught by the RAF before they could leave the ground.

Troop carriers and gasoline trucks were also special targets for the air force.

Single Raiding Plane

Off English Coast

LONDON, Dec. 25.—(P)—A single German plane appeared over the east coast tonight and dropped a shower of incendiaries which caused neither casualties nor damage.

The body of one passenger, apparently a boy, still was unidentified. Police listed the others as: Walter Wroughton, 55, driver of the bus.

Mrs. Frances Gloss, 72, a widow; Joseph Vuichick, 50, her son-in-law.

Edith Feek, 43.

Delores Reitschneider, 15.

Alfred C. Crane, 41.

William J. Hassel, 64.

Robert R. Ware, 19, Siloam Springs, Ark., a sailor on leave from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Mrs. Teresa Wright, Kansas City.

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War Fails To Spoil De Gaulle's Yuletide Observance

Children Make Merry as Atlanta Enjoys American Way of Cele- brating Christmas.

By CELESTINE SIBLEY. The American way of celebrating Christmas is safe for another year.

In homes unmoved by falling bombs, in cities quiet except for the sound of Christmas music and the joyous cries of happy children and the pleasant noises of the miraculous toys bought for their entertainment, Georgians and their neighbors throughout the nation observed Christmas yesterday in the way their forefathers have been observing it for more than three centuries.

War is no longer as far as it seemed from American shores, tinged many homes with sadness. Family circles were broken by the absence of boys in Army camps, on duty with the fleet, and, in some cases, fighting in the beleaguered islands in the Pacific. Many of the men and boys who gathered around the family board for the traditional feast wore uniforms and many of them were at home for the last time in months to come.

But generally, Atlanta's Christ-

mas was the best in years, made doubly dearer by a last-minute realization that it is one symbol of the American way of life that is threatened.

Families held their reunions. Children crept downstairs in the cold gray light to revel in the spoils of Santa's visit. Presents were exchanged. Friends went visiting, ate too much and rested too little.

And with the supreme confidence in the future, the kind of confidence known only to mothers, babies, doubly blessed Christmas babies, continued to get born.

Three had arrived at Atlanta hospitals by early afternoon and nurses at another hospital announced happily they expected another bundle from Heaven before the day was over.

Disguised as Santa Claus, the story yesterday visited Mrs. H. W. Bender, of Riverdale, and Mrs. E. R. Noland, of 428 Copeland avenue, N. E., at Crawford W. Long medical, leaving baby girls, while

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FIGHTING SPIRIT—A little over-age for front-line duty, but ready to take his turn with the home guard, General John M. Claypool (right), 95, national commander of United Confederate Veterans, signs up for civilian defense in St. Louis. The general and W. Scott Hancock, adjutant, were among the first to offer their services. Miss Edith Takke registered the old warriors.

Loss of Philippines Considered Possible By Gloomy Capital

Invading Asiatics Far Outnumber Island Defenders as MacArthur Strives To Stem Tide.

Sinking of an enemy submarine off California by United States airmen and the destruction of two Japanese craft in the Far East were bright spots last night in an otherwise gloomy Christmas. Washington reports conceded that eventual loss of the Philippine archipelago was distinctly possible as Japanese hordes poured onto Luzon, and Manila was threatened from several sides simultaneously.

Tank Units Move Inland

MANILA, Dec. 25.—(P)—Japanese tank units striking 35 miles inland from the Gulf of Lingayen were reported tonight near the Philippine summer capital of Baguio, while a second spearhead advancing 25 miles from the coast reached Binalan, only 110 miles from Manila.

Gloomy Washington dispatches intimated that loss of the Philippine archipelago was distinctly possible, with defending forces badly outnumbered and the Japs striking at Manila from seven directions at once.

A front line dispatch filed at 6 p. m. said the outnumbered American and Filipino troops fought desperately against the invaders.

Advance in North.

Japanese forces driving southward from Parri on the northern tip of Luzon Island were said to have reached Tuguegarao, 50 miles inland.

American troops succeeded in withdrawing from Baguio, and it was planned to declare the summer capital an open, unfortified city. Civilian officials in Baguio were ready to negotiate with the Japanese units.

Many Americans, including women and children, who had intended to flee to Manila, were reported trapped by the swift Japanese attempt to seize Dakar in 1940.

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The Japanese had landed in the Damortis-Santo Tomas area on the gulf last Monday, where they were immediately engaged by U. S. artillery and tanks.

The total in 23 leading cities amounted to \$785,844,000, an increase of 24 per cent over \$630,747,000 in the 5-day week of 1940. The aggregate was up \$863,782,000 under the record reported for the previous week.

Buffalo reported the unprecedented increase over a year ago of 90.7 per cent and Portland, Ore., was a close second with 85.2 per cent. Other extremely large gains were Omaha, 84.9; Louisville, 71; Houston, 79.6; Minneapolis, 74.9, and Pittsburgh, 74.4.

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Churchill Served Yule Dinner In Typical American Fashion

Cloudy and Warmer Weather Is Expected

Atlanta can expect cloudy and warmer weather today, with probable showers this morning, the United States Weather Bureau at Candler Field reported.

Low temperature will be 50 degrees.

Canadian Ministers To Join War Parley

OTTAWA, Dec. 25.—(P)—Prime Minister Mackenzie King and his three defense ministers left Ottawa late today for Washington to attend conferences with Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Roosevelt.

Very appropriately for two "sea-dogs"—the President was assistant secretary of the navy in World War I and ships were his hobby, and Churchill was formerly first lord of the admiralty.

Their table-mates included Mrs. Roosevelt, Lt. Crown Prince Olav and Crown Princess Martha of Norway; Lord Halifax, the British ambassador, and Lady Halifax; Lord Beaverbrook, Britain's minister of supply; Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound and other top-ranking British and American

Recaptured Bengasi Helps Ease Loss Of Vital Hongkong

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON,
Wide-World War Analyst.

An uneven exchange by Allied and Axis forces of strategic bases half the world apart marked this blood-stained and havoc-laden Christmas Day.

Study Reveals Jap Is Mixture Of Nine Races

World's Prime Hybrid Nearer to Caucasian Than Any Other.

By THOMAS R. HENRY,
Science Editor, North American
Newspaper Alliance.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The Japanese is the world's prime hybrid.

He is a mixture of Eskimo, Mongol, Chinese, Korean, Malay, Negro, Amur, white man, and a long extinct stone age race which nobody knows anything about.

This is the opinion of Dr. Ales Hrdlicka of the Smithsonian Institution, one of the world's foremost authorities on racial origins, who has made special studies of the peoples of the Orient.

About 300 B. C., Dr. Hrdlicka says, the Japanese islands were inhabited by two distinct races. One was a very primitive people living on about the scale of the peoples of Europe in the last years of the ice ages. The other was the Ainu, a curious mixture who still exist in northern Japan.

Near to Caucasian. They are probably nearer the Caucasian than any other race, although they bear some resemblance to the black Australian aborigines. Their skins, however, are white. They may be the most primitive living members of the white race.

About 300 B. C. there came out of southeastern Siberia a people known as the Tungus. They were Mongoloids, of the same general stock as the Chinese, the American Indians and the Eskimo. The latter element must have been quite strong among them. It is revealed today, Dr. Hrdlicka says, by frequent "throwbacks" Japanese children, especially little girls, are often extremely Eskimo-like in appearance. They lose this as they grow up.

From the Eskimo—or rather from an ancestor which he probably had in common with the Eskimo—the Japanese probably inherits his mechanical ability which has been a big factor in the nation's rise in the world. The Eskimos are perhaps the world's cleverest "gadget makers."

Eastward Migration. In their eastward trek the Tungus passed through parts of Mongolia and China and mixed their blood with that of these peoples. They also passed through Korea and intermarried a great deal with the people. This was an important step, Dr. Hrdlicka holds, because the Koreans are a unique race. Firmly based again in Bengal, Britain's expanding air power can take over increasingly from the Mediterranean fleet the job of keeping that sea open for British use. And it is that powerful segment of the British navy that seems nearest at hand to help reverse the odds in Allied favor in the China sea.

There is no writing off the dangerous development of the Luzon campaign for American-Filipino hopes of holding on there against all odds until help reaches the island in adequate measure. Yet there are circumstances of the fast-expanding battle for Manila which are in favor of the defenders, and General MacArthur is taking full advantage of them.

On Friendly Ground. His forces, outnumbered as they are, have the priceless advantage of interior communication lines. They are fighting in friendly, not hostile territory, and this insures quick information on enemy moves. They know every jungle trail and by-path as the enemy cannot. And in first clashes on many scattered fronts they have already proved their gallantry and fighting skill.

MacArthur and his hand-picked staff took the field in order to make the most of these assets, to be on the ground when instant appraisals of developments of the battle and instant decisions to cope with them are possible. The very nature of the multi-headed Japanese invasion attempt denies his rivals that opportunity for close and instant co-ordination, an opportunity that at the service of a skilled and experienced military tactician like MacArthur goes far to discount inferiority in numbers or even in equipment.

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White Blood Sources. Thus white blood poured into them from two sources, Korean and Ainu.

Once settled in Japan the Tungus were further contaminated by Malay invasions from the south. These Malays brought with them an element of Negroes, the little black people who inhabit many of the Indian Ocean islands. Every now and then a child with all the earmarks of a Negro is born of Japanese people. Still later various pure white elements, chiefly Portuguese, come in.

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On Seized Islands. It was considered significant here that the Canadian statement disclaiming any part in the seizure added that "It is not expected to have any effect on Canadian-Vichy relations."

Ever since the rupture of diplomatic relations between France and Britain in 1940, Canada's continued maintenance of diplomatic relations with Vichy France has created a delicate problem for the Ottawa government. Critics of the government frequently have demanded that Vichy's minister be expelled and that a policy of out-and-out support of the Free-French movement be followed.

A plebiscite was ordered for today to prove the population's preference for the forces of General Charles de Gaulle over the Vichy regime of Marshal Petain.

With Britain's Prime Minister Churchill already in Washington and Canada's Prime Minister W. L. MacKenzie King due to arrive shortly, the formulation of a coordinated policy on the St. Pierre and Miquelon affair was expected soon.

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ON SEIZED ISLANDS. ON DECEMBER 25.—(P)—The Free French forces announced today its naval forces occupied St. Pierre and Miquelon because the population of the barren islands wanted it to.

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De Gaulle himself, despite Britain's official manifestation of "complete surprise" and despite Washington's view of the seizure as an "arbitrary" action contrary to prior agreements, telegraphed congratulations to Admiral Muselier.

The government's answer has been that the Vichy legation in Ottawa provided a useful indirect contact between the Petain regime and Britain and other members of the British Commonwealth.

Because of the traditional bonds of sympathy between French Canada and the French people it has also seemed desirable to avoid an open break with Petain so long as possible.

Time is what counts. It is what MacArthur is fighting for.

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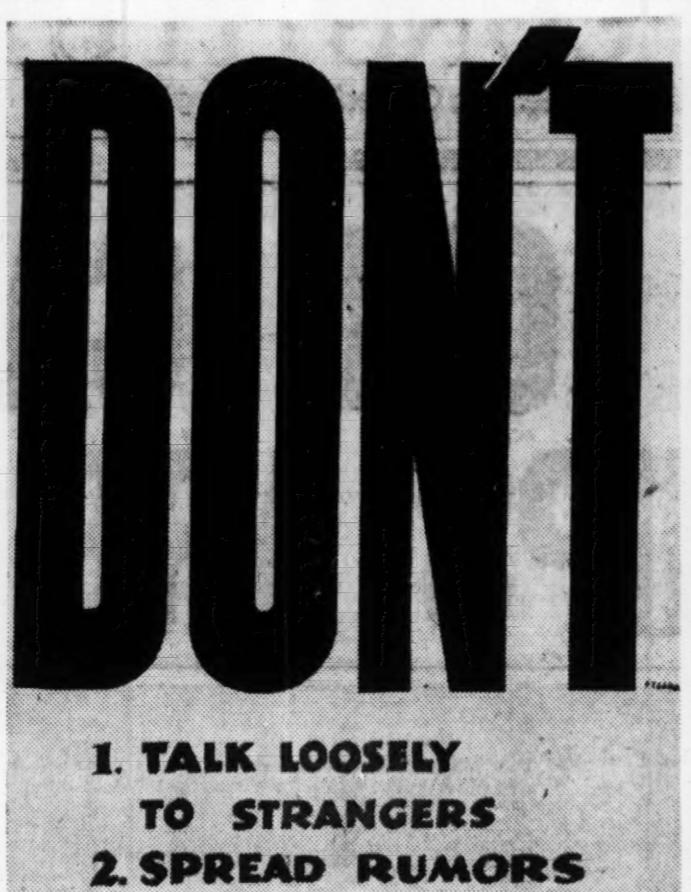
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U. S. Assured French Isles Of Status Quo

De Gaulist Incident Threatens Recently Reached Pact.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—(P)—

An agreement between the United States and French officials to pre-serve the status quo on French islands in the Western Hemisphere was described here yesterday after Free French action at St. Pierre and Miquelon had threatened to disrupt the accord.

This agreement was the result of negotiations at Martinique between Rear Admiral Frederick J. Horne, U. S. N., and Admiral Georges Robert, French high commissioner there under whose jurisdiction the Free French had captured the Lingayen gulf area.

Time is of the essence in Japanese strategy. Somewhere between Rear Admiral Frederick J. Horne, U. S. N., and Admiral Georges Robert, French high commissioner there under whose jurisdiction the Free French had captured the Lingayen gulf area.

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GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT.

In French circles the accord was described as a "gentlemen's agreement" securing these possessions against any infringement of their sovereignty.

The attitude consistently maintained by the United States government has been that it has no desire to infringe on the sovereignty of French possessions in the Western Hemisphere but cannot permit them to fall into Axis hands.

BALSES PROVIDED.

The loss of Bengasi by the British, when futile efforts to save Greeks from German might called upon Empire forces to the Balkans, was a serious matter for Britain. Prime Minister Churchill set it down then as the greatest setback involved in the hasty British retreat under Nazi tanks attack to the region of the Egyptian-Libyan border.

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Hongkong Falls After Bitter Resistance Against Huge Odds



VITAL SPOT—With his finger pointed to Hawaii, Admiral Ernest J. King, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet, studies the Pacific area as he plans American strategy in a move to halt submarine raids on shipping along the western coast. The map board is on the walls of the admiral's Navy Department office in Washington.

Chicago Naval Station Hears First Alarm

Units Found Alert at Report of 8 Mystery Planes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—(P)—Silent alarms rang out at all naval training bases in the Chicago area today, sounding the first air raid alarm heard here since the war began.

The warning walls interrupted Christmas celebrations at the Great Lakes Training Station, the Naval Reserve Aviation Base in suburban Glenview, and the Navy Service School and the Naval Reserve Armory here.

"Navy planes were sent up to carry out defense assignments if necessary," a Navy announcement said.

The warning found every one alert and ready for any eventualities. All naval personnel carried out their duties and stood by during the alert.

The alarm was sounded, the Navy announcement said, at 1 p. m., "following a warning from a responsible source that eight to 12 unidentified planes were coming from the northeast and were heading west across Lake Michigan."

There was no word of flights in the air at the time and in view of the mysterious circumstances surrounding the strange planes the alarm was given."

No civilian alarm was sounded in Chicago or at Fort Sheridan, the Army post near Great Lakes.

The Navy's all-clear signal was given at 2:10 p. m.

The alert came as a big Christmas show was being held at Great Lakes. Hundreds of sailors attending were sent to air raid shelters under a prearranged plan. The recruits sang carols while they waited for the "all clear." When it was heard, the returned to their celebrations.

The Navy announcement did not furnish any identification of the strange planes.

Mrs. W. T. Hayes Succumbs at 65

Mrs. W. T. Hayes, 65, died late Wednesday at her residence, 212 Atlanta Avenue, Decatur.

Surviving are three sons, T. R. Hayes of Decatur; J. V. Hayes of Birmingham, Ala., and L. T. Hayes, of New York city; and three daughters, Mrs. C. J. Hadley and Mrs. C. R. Haynes, of Atlanta, and Mrs. R. P. Stallings, of Dallas, Texas.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by A. S. Turner.

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Ex-Slaves Offer Victory Prayer At Annual Christmas Party

William Jones, 105 years old and once a slave, led 40 former bondmen and many other old Negroes in a prayer that this country may be victorious, as the Atlanta Ex-Slave Association held its annual Christmas party at the Holmes Institute Wednesday.

The Rev. Henry Thornton conducted the devotional exercises and delivered the opening address. The Rev. B. R. Holmes, founder of the association, delivered the annual sermon, and Mrs. L. M. Haywood spoke in closing. Gifts were distributed at the end of the program.

Col. Eubanks Sorry Mother, Is Cited for Son Couldn't 'Longest' Flight Make It Home

Aviator Recommended for Distinguished Flying Cross.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—(P)—Colonel Eugene L. Eubank, who commanded a flight of four-engined bombers from San Francisco to the Philippines less than two months before the war broke out, has been recommended to President Roosevelt for a Distinguished Flying Cross, the War Department announced today.

The flight was the "longest" of its kind in the history of aviation," the Army said, but the number of planes was kept secret.

Following a month another flight, which blazed a new trans-Pacific route and won Distinguished Flying Crosses for Major Emmett O'Donnell Jr. and 74 of his men under his command, the more recent flight began October 17 and ended at Fort Stotsenburg, Philippine Islands, on November 19.

The distance, more than 10,000 miles, was described as "the longest flight over water ever made."

In the accomplishment, Colonel Eubank, a native of Mangum, Okla., and a former resident of Port Arthur, Texas, "displayed superior airmanship, excellent leadership, unusual ability and accurate knowledge," the citation said. He was flying for 24 years.

Japs Advance In Twin Drive In Philippines

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apparently was the most direct menace to Manila. Binalaoan is on a main highway winding through valleys toward this capital.

Other Jap Landings. Other Japanese landings have been effected at Legaspi and at Atimonan, some 200 miles to the southeast, at Davao on Mindanao Island 600 miles distant, and at other points. Communications with Davao (which the Japanese claim to have captured) have been disrupted for some time.

Washington announced yesterday that Japanese invaders also landed at Nasugbu, only 15 miles below the entrance to Manila bay and 50 miles southwest of Manila. Another landing was effected near Mauban, 20 miles up the Lamang bay above Atimonan.

Tokyo claimed that the Legaspi unit had driven 50 miles northward to occupy the town of Naga, and also announced the landing of additional troops on Lamang bay.

The wail of air raid sirens came amid the Christmas pealing of church bells here this morning, but no bombs were dropped and antiaircraft batteries were silent. This led to the belief that both sides already considered Manila an open city, but it was officially stated that no final decision had been reached on the matter.

Open City Considered.

Defense heads are considering a declaration to that effect in order to spare the civilians from further aerial attacks. It would necessitate stripping the capital of all military defenses.

Meanwhile a traveler from Batangas province said he saw a U.

British Sadly Announce Loss Of Stronghold

Blasted Water Mains Are Important Factor in Disaster.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—(P)—The last ditch defense of Hongkong has broken under relentless assault by land, sea and air and the crown colony which for a century has been a British bastion off the southeast China coast has fallen to the Japanese.

"So ends a great fight against overwhelming odds," the British colonial office declared tonight, sadly announcing the surrender.

No further resistance, it said, was possible.

Without estimating the figures, the foreign office asserted that "military and civilian casualties were heavy . . ."

The announcement said the lack of water was one of the great handicaps of the British Tommies, the Canadians and the Indian Sikhs, who fought step by step back across the mainland section of the colony and then held out desperately and with little hope in the fortified mountain fastnesses of the island.

Water Mains Smashed.

As the Japanese pressed away one after another of the Hongkong settlements and smashed water mains by shelling and bombardment, water supplies of the hard-pressed garrison dwindled until, the announcement said, "two days ago there remained but one day's supply."

The British public has been prepared for days for word that the back-to-the-sea defense had crumbled.

The word which came finally in the gray of Christmas twilight said,

"The governor of Hongkong regrets that he has been advised by the military and naval commanders that no further effective resistance can be made and he is taking action in accordance with that advice."

"It will be remembered that the Japanese effected landings in strength at several points on the island on December 18. To many it seemed that the end must be near; yet for seven days under relentless artillery fire not only from the mainland but from heights on the island the garrison fought on, refusing three demands to surrender.

"The water supply soon gave cause for anxiety. Important reservoirs fell into Japanese hands. Water mains were destroyed by bombardment. The public works department struggled bravely to effect a remedy but the enemy destroyed the pipes again and again."

"To days ago there remained but one day's supply. Military and civilian casualties were heavy, but under the inspiring leadership of (Governor) Sir Mark Young the morale of all was admirable.

Overwhelming Odds.

"So ends a great fight against overwhelming odds. The courage and determination of the royal navy and troops from Britain, Canada and India as well as local volunteer units, including many Chinese will long be remembered."

(The Japanese imperial headquarters at Tokyo reported that the Hongkong garrison surrendered at 5:50 p. m. on December 23 and he hasn't stopped to sleep at night, he confided, because the city was supposed to have five days leave—and they are passing fast.

The ride planned on didn't pan out exactly as he hoped, and military regulations won't permit him to look like he is hitchhiking. So he is having a bit of a hard time, though he is getting some lifts from friendly motorists.

He has on his blue-gray Canadian Air Force uniform. It was spic and span when he left. He wanted to look nice when he got home. He has dark eyes and a funny grin. He said:

"My dad didn't want me to join up—but well, I just did."

He is the Trewitts' only child.



NEW SUCCESSES—The dotted line, which represents points reached by the Germans in their farthest advance into Russia, no longer comprises the front, as daily reports tell of new triumphs for the steadily advancing Russians. The Soviets have driven the Germans across the Volkov river (1) at several points, further relieving the pressure on Leningrad. Red troops yesterday had pushed to Odoev (2) after capturing the important rail town of Gorbachevo.

War Gives Studio 'A Break'

By SHEILAH GRAHAM.
For North American Newspaper Alliance.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Some people, particularly movie cameramen, have all the luck. Only I'm not sure whether some people would describe the following "incident" as luck.

About a month ago, 20th Century-Fox decided that the tension in the Far East warranted a minor picture epic titled "To the Shores of Tripoli." The story was about the United States Marines. The stars, John Payne and Maureen O'Hara.

For no reason that anyone can think of now—most of the film action takes place in a Marine base in California—a bright boy in the studio idea department, decided that the film's background shots should be taken in Hawaii!

So a crew of joyful cameramen were shipped off to Honolulu with instructions to get several of the island's scenic beauty. The cameramen, from whom

there was no word for several days after the fateful December 7, had been requested by the United States War Department to remain in Hawaii on active service with their cameras until further notice.

By the way, the author of the Tripoli picture is Steve Fisher, who previously and prophetically had penned a tale titled "I Wake Up Screaming." This latter would be a good title for another movie—about the cameramen.

Dr. Collins Tells Schools How To Help Win War

Education Chief Urges Co-operation With Civilian Defense.

Georgia schools yesterday were given detailed instructions on how they could help to win the war.

Dr. M. D. Collins, state school superintendent, sent out a message to all city and county school systems together with an outline of objectives to be followed during the emergency.

The best response that a school can make in the emergency is to perform its normal duties better each day and to co-operate intelligently with those responsible for the direction of civilian defense," Dr. Collins wrote the superintendents.

He pointed out that the federal and state agencies will determine the things to be done and that the local superintendent and his staff should plan the way in which the schools will respond. The State School Department, he added, would not have an independent program of its own.

The outline of special objectives touched on morale service, emergency safety measures, contribution to the cost of the war, health and physical education, vocational instruction, citizenship and human relations and providing educational opportunities for all citizens.

Parents were advised not to talk too much about war in the presence of their children, but to try to make their children feel self-sufficient.

Mrs. J. H. Day Succumbs at 72

Mrs. J. H. Day, 72, of 526 Chestnut street, N. W., died yesterday at a private hospital.

Surviving are her husband, an employee of the Georgia Power Company; two sisters, Mrs. Laura McKey and Mrs. H. N. Harris, both of Atlanta, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by J. Allen Couch.

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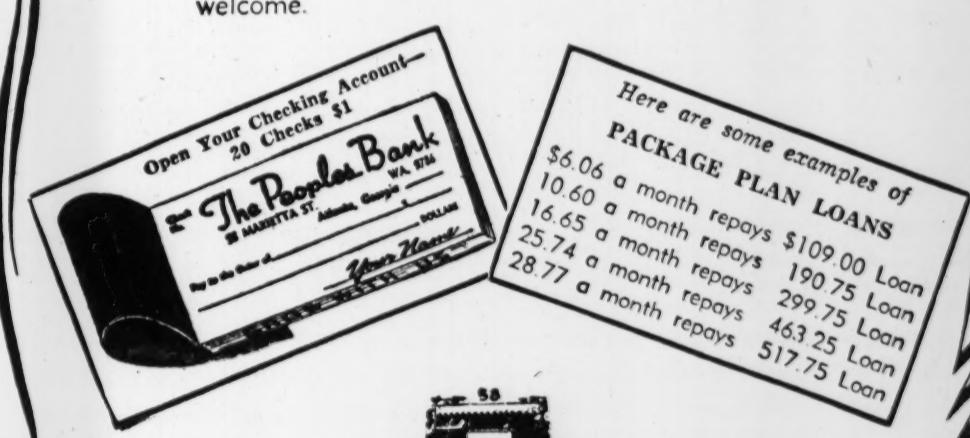
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Has Petain Resigned?

Reports from "somewhere in Europe" that Marshal Petain has resigned as leader of the remnants of France, may be true or they may merely be part of a planned campaign of military deception by the Nazis.

If, as indicated, the Germans have at last pushed aside the aged marshal's objections and are preparing a march through unoccupied France into Spain, with the objective of either capturing Gibraltar or going around that stronghold into French North Africa, it is not surprising if Petain has resigned in angry but futile protest.

If Petain is out, it means the pro-Nazi Admiral Darlan has taken over control of unhappy France. If this is true, it means France definitely aligned with Germany, it means the remnants of the once mighty French fleet joining the fighting ranks of our enemies.

It would be foolish to discount such a change in the foe's strength as immaterial. It can make no difference in the final outcome of the struggle, but the added naval strength will make much more difficult the already difficult task of keeping open the ocean lines of supply and of reinforcing our hard-pressed outposts in the Pacific.

A new Nazi offensive into northern Africa would offer tempting possibilities to Hitler. For, if successful, it would mean the bottling up, in Axis control, of the Mediterranean. On the other hand the difficulties of such an undertaking, for troops not inured to the rigors of north African desert fighting would be fraught with peril only commensurate to the rigors of winter the Nazi hordes met, and were unable to conquer, on the Russian front.

It is, of course, entirely possible the French rumors represent but a feint by Hitler, with the next German thrust aimed in some totally different direction, possibly through Turkey.

But all the signs and all the logic point to the drive through Spain as the more likely. The war may yet be decided in northern Africa. And, while German attention is centered on this, or some other new front, what will the Russians be doing? In all probability, driving on toward Berlin.

REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR

A device for propping up a newspaper on the breakfast table appears on a holiday list of "gifts for him," from wives who no longer list.

REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR

Is She the Only One?

Laura Ingalls, famous woman air pilot and a "feature speaker" for the erstwhile "America First Committee," has been indicted by a federal grand jury at Washington for failure to register as a foreign agent.

It is charged that she was in the pay of the German government while acting as public relations counsel, publicity agent and representative of that government in this country.

Although she has not yet been tried, the indictment itself indicates that Miss Ingalls must have been in fairly close collaboration with the Nazi representatives in this country at the very time she was a frequent speaker under sponsorship of the now discredited America First Committee.

It would thus appear that a better name for that organization would have been the "Germany First Committee."

Undoubtedly many men and women affiliated with that misnamed organization supported it in good faith, believing they were acting in the best interests of America. That they were woefully misled is now made plain.

But the thought arises, if Miss Ingalls was in the pay of the German government, as charged, were not other "featured speakers" of the organization guilty in like manner? If they were, it is to be hoped they will be quickly exposed and placed where they can do no further harm to the nation.

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A new British explosive, made of whisky, can lick any 10 so-and-sos in the barroom.

REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR

Nothing has made us so feel the continuity of war as the word from Philadelphia that

work has resumed there on a sock which was half knitted at the time of the Armistice in 1918.

REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR

This Is Americanism

CIO Union No. 882, United Automobile Workers, has adopted a resolution. Copy of that resolution was given, this week, to V. F. Cooper, branch manager of the Ford Motor Company, where members of the union are employed.

That resolution constitutes a perfect example of true Americanism, a type of Americanism which, if followed throughout the nation, makes certain the quickest possible defeat of the nation's enemies.

Under terms of the resolution, the workers agree to work seven days a week if necessary, without overtime, to forego any effort toward union advantage, to have the company withhold from their pay envelopes, for the purchase of defense bonds, all wages in excess of five days and to work and co-operate, in all respects, with the war program.

"We, individually and collectively," the resolution said, "lay aside all matters of personal gain or profit and dedicate ourselves to the great task that has so abruptly befallen us."

What more could be promised, what less could true Americans say?

Many times the actions of organized labor have appeared contrary to the basic principles of Americanism. They have, thereby, reaped criticism and condemnation.

But those who have condemned should be equally prompt to praise. And no praise can be too high for the action of this Atlanta union of the CIO.

Their pledge is in full consonance with that ancient pledge given by Americans once before, when the nation was young and faced, as now, a terrible task and a fearful emergency. That old pledge can be found in the closing sentence of the Declaration of Independence.

"And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."

REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR

The Clark committee for investigating Hollywood war propaganda will meet in an alley one of these nights and agree to scatter in several directions.

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Freedom of Speech

The United States Supreme court has ruled that an employee of labor may speak his mind, freely, on labor issues, provided his utterances are not part of a plan to coerce his workers in violation of the Wagner act. The court voted 7 to 0 in favor of this opinion.

It is rather a sad commentary upon the state of American law on relations between employer and labor that it should have become necessary for the Supreme Court to issue an opinion on what appears to be a basic right of all Americans. But there can be no question that the interpretation placed upon the Wagner act by many officials has been such as to deprive the employer and the free worker alike of various basic rights guaranteed to all Americans under the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

Most employers have, ever since enactment of the act, been afraid to mention union subjects or labor matters in conversation with their employees. They have, in effect, been deprived of the right of free speech and free expression of opinion. It is to be hoped the new Supreme Court ruling will now remove these shackles and place employers and union leaders on equal footing in this respect, at least.

There are various portions of the Wagner act, or their interpretation in practice, that seem directly in violation of constitutional rights of all Americans.

Now that the Supreme Court has restored the right of free speech, it may, someday, restore to free American workmen the right to the pursuit of "life, liberty and happiness," in any employment they desire, without the compulsion of paying tribute to despotic labor leaders who masquerade as "labor" as a whole.

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There is no sugar shortage at this time, but will be if the tablecloth admirals keep on using the lump type to represent battleships.

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Georgia Editors Say:

NO FREEDOM LOST

(From The Augusta Chronicle.)

The Chronicle, like all other American newspapers, is beginning to feel in some small measure the pinch of censorship.

And yet it is not an unpleasant or unbearable situation because we do not feel that our guaranteed freedom of the press has been endangered or that we have been asked to comply with unreasonable requests.

At last we have been called upon to distinguish between freedom of the press and a voluntary suppression of information that might jeopardize our nation should it be printed.

We have been asked not to print certain information regarding the movement and number of troops, the protection of property vital to defense and the drafting and induction of troops.

The Chronicle is going to comply with these restrictions gladly, with the thought that we have not surrendered any of our constitutional guarantee of freedom or that we are depriving our readers of any information vital to their best interests.

Readers of this and other newspapers will still get all the news of importance, presented as usual, and will still have open to them the editorial columns for a full and frank discussion of this nation's policies.

That is the heritage of the democracy we have come this far to support and which we will go much further to preserve.

WASHINGTON PARADE

By GLADSTONE WILLIAMS.

DRAMATIZED DIFFERENCE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—President Roosevelt's extraordinary press conference with Prime Minister Churchill sitting at his side deserves to go down in history as a symbol of the difference in methods of the two great English-speaking democracies and the dictator-ruled Axis nations with which we are at war.

It is difficult to conceive of a similar setting in Berlin, Rome, or Tokyo. There the pompous government heads conceal themselves behind a puppet press which is not allowed to print anything not approved by an ironclad censorship. Such a thing as Hitler and Mussolini subjecting themselves to open questioning by a hundred or more representatives of the press is undreamed of.

Never before has the White House enacted a scene comparable to that afforded by the President and the prime minister presenting themselves for questioning by a notoriously curious body of news writers. Here were the heads of the two most powerful nations in the world—both master showmen as well. The fact that they were brought together to devise common means for waging the most intensive war of all times gave added historical drama to the scene.

BOTH FEEL THE SAME And yet from their calm and confident manner one might have suspected that the business at hand involved nothing more than the adjustment of some academic economic problem. They both feel this way about the ultimate outcome of the war. In their eyes was more the look of the executioner.

Hitler and his henchmen would have found little comfort in the confident determination of their manner.

The press conference was really more the prime minister's than the President's. Mr. Roosevelt turned it over to him almost entirely after a few introductory remarks. Originally it had been his plan, the President said, to merely have Mr. Churchill make a brief statement to the newsmen, but the British government head, although unaccustomed to such press ordeals, desired it the other way. He had consented to answer all reasonable questions.

EQUALS F. D. R. IN REPARTEE

During the 20 minutes or more that followed, the prime minister revealed himself as a master of repartee. He is equally the equal of Mr. Roosevelt, who has mastered the technique better than any other person in public life in the United States today.

Never once did he decline to answer a question. Even if it involved something on which he was not at liberty to speak with complete frankness he would give his reply a pertinent evasive twist that brought roars of laughter from the President and the 20 or so newsmen present.

An example was when someone asked him how long it would take to "lick" Hitler and his gang. Lick is an American idiom with which he is not familiar and was necessary for Steve Early, the President's press secretary, to prompt him on its meaning. Immediately he responded with a twinkle in his eye that if we managed it well it would take only half as long as if we managed it badly.

MOVING VOICE

The voice of the prime minister, acknowledged to be one of the world's greatest living orators, sounds even better at first hand than over the radio. It has rich resonant quality with a touch of pathos that is capable of moving his listeners deeply. When he spoke of the lonely hours spent by Britain after the fall of France, with no other ally standing beside her to help combat the threatened Nazi invasion, he aroused a profound and sympathetic chord.

The informality of the scene was set at the opening of the conference when Mr. Churchill climbed up on a chair, at the request of the newsmen, in order that he might be seen by all. He seemed to enjoy the ovation that he received.

Though not quite so bulky as some of the pictures make him appear, the prime minister looks pretty much as he does in his photographs. When he is in repose there is a cherubic look about him. At other times he assumes an expression that has led his countrymen to call him as the personification of Britain's bulldog tenacity and courage. He had such an expression on his face when, in response to a question about the defense of Singapore, he promised that Imperial troops would do their utmost.

It is the same determined expression that one visualizes as having swept over him on countenance on that fateful dark hour after the fall of France when, in a historic address, he promised the British people "blood and tears, toil and sweat."

SILHOUETTES

By RALPH T. JONES.

"Old Subscriber"

Asks Questions.

It is always a pleasure, when possible, to answer the questions sent in by those nice individuals who come under the classification of "old subscribers." This paper tries always to answer satisfactorily all such questions if they are reasonable.

But now we are at war, there is an added reason barring replies to a certain class of queries. Those are the questions which, to answer—always provided we knew the answer—would give away information of value to the enemy.

This nation is at war. We are operating, all of us, under a system of voluntary censorship. Newspapers, radio and other means of news dissemination have all promised not, if they can help it, to divulge anything the enemy would like to know.

This voluntary censorship should apply to all of us. Those who can only spread news, false or true, by word of mouth. We should guard carefully what we say, for you never can know who may overhear.

Sorry, We Can't Explain.

A recent letter from an old subscriber down Columbus way asks some questions we wish could answer. But we can't. First, because we don't know and second because we wouldn't give out the information if we did know. For it is information the enemy would probably give a lot to know, right now.

Condensed, our questioner asks:

"Why haven't we sent relief to the defenders of Wake and Midway islands?"

"Why doesn't our Navy attack Japanese naval vessels assaulting these islands?"

"How long will it be before we can help General MacArthur in his defense of the Philippines?"

We wish we knew the answers.

And we wish we could make them public, if we did know.

But we don't know and we couldn't, anyway.

This is war. We have to trust our leaders and wait, in patience, for developments.

We have to do our part by practicing that trust and that patience and, in the meanwhile, do our own jobs as well as we know how.

We have to go on day by day, knowing that America's leaders, the commanders of Army, Navy, air force and that greatest leader of all, President Roosevelt, are better qualified to plan strategy than we are. That our interests are safe in their hands and in the hands of the men in their commands.

And we can best do our part by not saying anything, anywhere, that would aid the enemy. And remembering that criticism, direct or implied, that tends to sow discord among our own people may be a mighty help to the enemy.

If it develops that our trust, in any individual, has been misplaced then it will be timely and proper to say so, with emphasis.

Readers of this and other newspapers will still get all the news of importance, presented as usual, and will still have open to them the editorial columns for a full and frank discussion of this nation's policies.

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World Today

By PERTINAX

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Adolf Hitler has told the German people of his great disappointment in the Russian campaign. He has displaced several of his military commanders and assumed direct responsibility for the conduct of the war.

Very few observers think that he will sit down all through the winter and wait until spring makes it possible to start again the struggle against the Soviet Union. He is wont to startle the world by bold strokes. Today less than ever can he afford to fall short of the mark set by himself. The psychological consequences inside the European nations conquered or controlled would be too tremendous for him to quietly contemplate. But are there distinctly observable signs of what he is going to do?

Dudley Glass

*Twas the morn after Christmas
and all through the house
Was wreckage left o'er from the
holiday souse.
The bottles and glasses were mixed
with the toys
While Father's poor head split
with every slight noise.*

*Twas the morn after Christmas,
with one ray of cheer—
That Christmas, thank heaven,
comes just once a year.*

Fortunate are the men and women workers whose employers conduct a business that doesn't have to go on every day lest the globe explode with a loud report.

For they're having a long holiday season. From Christmas day through Sunday. Four days of rest. Actually three days of holiday, because they've had Sunday, anyway. And perhaps they always have Saturday afternoons off.

There are a number of business and professional concerns which do not suffer by shutting up shop for a few days. Who wants to talk business the day after Christmas? And the next day's Saturday! So there!

But not everyone is lucky. The stores must reopen today, if only to take care of the folk who hurry in to swap gifts for something they really want. Wonder if there's actually as much swapping as the jesters have been saying for a generation or so.

As a youngster in Savannah a long time ago I envied the chaps who worked in the cotton business—in that long row of brick buildings whose backs hung over the river.

For I learned, with amazement, they took a couple of months off—with pay—every summer. There wasn't any business until the first bale came in. And there were the beaches and the boats and plenty of places to have fun.

One man, usually, was condemned to stick around and wander down to the office every day and open the mail, if any. Then he could go back home for the Savannah siesta—the midday nap in a fairly cool and darkened "parlor." But I think they split this up among the force.

Old Timers

Life of an automobile has increased in the past decade from eight to 12 years, says Neil W. Printup, secretary of the Georgia Petroleum Industries Committee. Most of Mr. Printup's efforts are devoted to propaganda against increases in taxes on gasoline and

The Morning After The Day Before, or Omi Poor Head!

oil, but he gathers a lot of other information and sends it out in his bulletins.

"More used cars than new ones are sold now," he writes. "They are bought by families with low incomes. A car passes through the hands of three or four families before it hits the junk heap. Studies indicate that half the cars on the highways are five or more years old, with an average cash value of less than \$150."

It is easy to credit that statement. All of us have been forced to loaf along behind a jalopy putting up a grade. We get sore, of course. But why? Certainly not everyone can afford a shiny new bus that rents, held down to 60. Not everyone can afford a tailor-made suit, either, but does that mean a man must go naked? He has a right to drive any car he can afford—if it isn't so far gone it's a menace. And usually, it's the driver, not the car, that causes trouble on the road.

Good suggestion in Milledgeville News:

"If you take the Constitution, read Charles Dickens' 'Life of Our Lord' aloud to your children. If you have no children, read it anyway. It will remind you again of the old moral principles of faith and hope and love that shine even in these dark shadowed valleys where we dwell."

Florida auto license officials have thought up a new way to raise funds for underprivileged children.

Many Florida motorists, like Georgians, have a hankering for license tags with special numbers—to match their phone number, perhaps. Previously these have been reserved on request. Next year they will be reserved—for a dollar. The children will get the dollars.

Wonder how many Floridians will lose their yearning for special numbers.

Waycross citizen has taken a vow to do his bit for the nation—by playing golf twice a week.

That sounds queer. But he explains he feels it his duty to keep himself in the best possible health—and he thinks golf will do it.

Maybe he's right, at that. At least, he hasn't chosen the hard way.

Reported that scarcity of metal may lead to auto license tags of paper. Manufacturer has developed a paper so tough and weather proof it will outlast the car, he says.

Good Morning

By LOUIE D. NEWTON.

THE GRACE OF GIVING.

The day of Christmas may be a time for us to consider for a moment the grace of giving. True giving is one of the finest graces. The Bible so describes it. "See that ye also abound in this grace of giving," wrote Paul to the Corinthian Christians; and Peter speaks of the "grace of giving."

There are many happy hearts today because they entered into the grace of giving yesterday, and that, I believe, is the blessing of Christmas. "Go so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son . . ."

And God wants His children to grow into the grace of giving. Jesus said, "As ye did it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye did it unto Me." I have never known a giving Christian who was not a happy Christian.

It is costly, this growth in the grace of giving; and that is the reason for its blessing. If you gave something Christmas that didn't represent some measure of effort and even sacrifice, it didn't make you very happy; but if you had to forego something for yourself in order to give for another's happiness, then you were blessed, and you experienced a growth in the grace of giving.

God calls on us to give because it is for our own good. He could create meeting houses, hospitals,

homes for orphaned children, playgrounds, toys and all the other forms of Christian effort by one spoken word; but that would deprive His children of the grace of giving. He could print the Bible in every language of the world and distribute it like leaves that fall from the autumn trees, but that would deprive His children of the grace of giving. He could establish a great radio station from which the angels could preach the Gospel to the lost of earth; but that would deprive His children of the grace of giving.

He who gives aright is always blessed. We must forever be grateful to Paul for that beatitude which he recaptures and passes on: "Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."

I like the way Whittier expressed it:

"And, as the path of duty is made plain,
May grace be given that I may walk therein,
Not like the hireling, for his selfish gain,
With backward glances and reluctant tread,
Making a merit of his coward dread—

But, cheerful, in the light around me through,
Walking as one to pleasant service led,
Doing God's will as if it were my own,
Yet trusting not in mine, but in His strength alone."

Tyrone Masonic Lodge

Names New Officers

Special to THE CONSTITUTION.

TYRONE, Ga., Dec. 25.—Tyrone Lodge, No. 644, F. & A. M., has elected the following officers for the next year:

E. L. Slaton, worshipful master; C. E. Pyron, senior warden; W. M. Askew, junior warden; Floy Farr, treasurer; W. L. St. L. S. secretary; R. E. Flinders, senior deacon; W. M. Slaton, junior deacon; Tipp Cook, senior steward; Ruel Presley, junior steward; L. L. Slaton, tyler; the Rev. Fabron Brown, chaplain.

"Apartments of tomorrow" for people of today. Get more for your money by reading the Want Ads in The Constitution.



GOLDEN WEDDING—Mr. and Mrs. James J. Spratlin, of 1592 South Gordon street, S. W., Sunday will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with open house for their friends from 2:30 until 9 o'clock. They have lived in Atlanta for 41 years, where Spratlin has served as a member of the city police department. Assisting in entertaining guests will be their daughters, Mrs. L. C. Hays, Mrs. L. W. Clark and Mrs. W. G. Kinard, all of Atlanta, and a son, J. W. Spratlin, of Lima, Peru.

\$345 Reported Boy Is Killed, Stolen in Five Holdups Here In Dublin Area

Police Investigate Series of Holiday Robberies by Armed Bandits.

Atlanta police yesterday were investigating a series of five holdups in which at least \$345 was taken Wednesday night.

W. E. Kemp, attendant at Parker's Snow White Laundry, 846 North Hunter street, S. W., told Officers H. M. Clark and R. H. Fleming two Negroes came into the establishment, hit him on the head with a blackjack and took an undetermined amount of money from the change drawer. Kemp was treated at Grady hospital.

Cash Register Robbed. Georgia Coal Company, 420 Peeters street, S. W., reported two Negroes took an undetermined amount of money from the safe and cash register of their establishment after forcing the attendant, H. K. Whately, and his assistant, Clem Kelley, to sit on the floor in a back room.

B. Fineberg, 115 Haygood avenue, S. E., told officers two Negroes entered his store and one held gun on him while the other rifled his cash register of \$300.

Albert Howell, father of the two Negro children and a farmer of the Cedar Grove section of Laurens county, sustained a fractured ankle when the car smashed into his wagon, 16 miles southwest of here on the Dublin-McRae highway. Mrs. Howell, also with them, escaped injury.

State Troopers from the Dublin station said driver of the car was Alfred Davidson, young Rentz farmer. The investigation showed, the troopers said, that the crash occurred as Davidson was meeting another automobile.

Davidson's car caught fire and burned in the crash, and he barely escaped being trapped in it, the troopers added. One of two miles drawing the wagon was killed.

Davidson sustained only a minor injury of one hand.

Howell and the little girl were brought to the Coleman hospital, and the body of the lad was taken over to a local mortuary.

Iris Brantley, 14, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee R. Bantley, of near Soperton, received injuries that resulted in amputation of the leg at the Coleman hospital, when an automobile on which she was riding was sideswiped by another near her home. W. L. Nunn, of Monroe, and W. F. Kitchens, of Allentown, farmers, were injured. The former serious when their automobile collided with a truck near Dexter. They were brought to the Coleman hospital.

An Army officer, who identified himself only as Lieutenant Davidson, of Atlanta, and a companion, were treated at the hospital for cuts and bruises sustained when the automobile in which they were riding, wrecked near here on Route 80. They later were dismissed and proceeded on their way.

Toccoa Is To Honor College Students

Special to THE CONSTITUTION.

TOCCOA, Ga., Dec. 25.—More than 100 college students from Toccoa and Stephens county are at home for the Christmas holidays.

The churches of the city are planning a special service at the First Baptist church next Sunday evening honoring these students. Dr. George C. Bellington, president of the Rabun Gap-Nacoochee College, will be the guest speaker.

Constitution Want Ads are getting for speedy merchandising results.

Reich Is Short Of Vaccine, New War Danger

Threat of Typhus Epidemic Is Real Problem for Civilians.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—(NANA)—Faced with what may be the greatest danger of the war, so far as her civilian population is concerned, Germany has no typhus vaccine—so far as is known.

Examination of German medical journals for the last 10 years shows no report of a single typhus study, according to epidemic disease experts of the United States Public Health Service.

Early in the war an offer of the newly developed American vaccine—made purely in the interests of humanity—to be used experimentally in Polish concentration camps, was rather churlishly refused. While no vaccine was offered, the United States experts believe that this may have signified that the Reich possessed its own vaccine, which it was keeping secret from the world.

Hungary Experiments.

The Hungarian government took a quite different attitude, and several gallons of American vaccine were sent to Hungary to be used in experimental vaccination of several villages. But the nation soon was drawn into the war and no report has been received of the use to which the vaccine was put.

For the last 10 years, intensive work on typhus prevention has gone on in the United States, where the motive was chiefly altruistic, since this country is the last spot on earth where an epidemic is to be expected—the Pasteur Institute in Paris, and the laboratories of the Polish Health

The French developed a workable but rather dangerous vaccine. It was tried experimentally in north Africa with indifferent results. Several died of the vaccination.

Results in Poland.

The Polish results also were indifferently successful. Reports last spring of a developing epidemic in Spain brought an immediate response from the Public Health Service, which shipped a large amount to the stricken country. Here also there has been no report on the results. Spain remains the danger spot of western Europe, because of the poor sanitary conditions and general malnutrition there. The malady might easily break over the Pyrenees into France.

In the half-way decent world of past wars, no government has considered a disease such as typhus as a weapon and at any time until diplomatic relations were broken off the United States would have provided its vaccine freely to Germany in the face of an epidemic as to any other country.

Germany has an efficient vaccine and has kept it secret the action would be considered a monstrous violation of international medical ethics, not justified by even the bitterest of wars.

Results Are Published.

The French and American results have been published briefly. Shortly after the vaccine produced by Dr. Cox was reported full instructions about how to make it were published by the Public Health Service. The Greeks received these reports. They easily can make the vaccine from the full directions furnished. They also have the benefit of the supply to Hungary.

Neither French nor Polish investigators ever made any secret of the progress of their work.

They also have been intensely interested in the typhus problem.

Germany has not set her hens to work overtime to produce an adequate supply of the American vaccine, American investigators believe, it can only be due to an increased egotism on the part of German scientists.

They never have had a guarantee against an epidemic sweeping their country. The vaunted cleanliness of the German people is far from a fact and could easily degenerate into typhus conditions in the face of disorganization.

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GREEK WOMEN GIVE SWEATERS—Garments made for relief in Greece, withheld since the Axis overran the country, presented to the Atlanta Red Cross. Left to right, Mrs. James Cotsakis and Mrs. John Alex showing them to Mrs. W. E. Lotspeich, chairman of the knitting division.

The Pulse of the Public

The Constitution invites expression of opinion by its readers. This column is open for that purpose. All communications must be signed and all are subject to editing for conservation of space. Brevity makes argument effective and impels attention.

WE SHOULD HAVE MANY EMERGENCY AIR FIELDS

Editor, Constitution: I am writing you relative to a multiplicity of emergency, hide-out landing fields. With this state being the hub of aviation in the south, with numbers of major fields, for training, etc. It appears to me that there should be a hundred or so close by, little 100-acre fields.

These could be furnished, by various people who own suitable tracts of land, donating them to the defense. For example, I own 200 acres, 20 miles out from Macon, 80 miles from Atlanta, and 80 miles from Columbus, which could be leveled off by the community in a week, to where 50 planes could land, hide or refuel. New gas and electric lines cross

the job will be hard and the road will probably be one of blood and tears but, if we try to match with honest work, the heroic sacrifices which all our boys in the armed services are making there can be no ultimate end to these wars in which our country finds itself engulfed but triumphant victory. But one thing more: If Russia succeeds in driving German soldiers from Russian soil Russia might make a separate peace with Germany and Japan, because the history of Russia is as bloody and treacherous as that of Germany. Our country must guard against this eventuality.

C. A. SEALS.

Atlanta.

Greek Women Give Sweaters To Red Cross

212 Garments Had Been Knitted for Fellow Countrymen.

Sweaters and shawls knitted by the Greek women of Atlanta for Greek soldiers and civilians have been given to the American Red Cross instead.

When the Nazis and Italians overran Greece, the Greek women withheld further shipments and the accumulated garments, 212 of them, have been turned over to the Atlanta chapter of the Red Cross.

The garments were delivered to Red Cross headquarters at 61 Forsyth street by a committee consisting of Mrs. James Cotsakis, Mrs. John Alex, Mrs. George Marine, Mrs. Leo Kalos, Mrs. John Lucas, Miss Chris Carlos and Mrs. Vardouini.

Native Atlantan In Group of Aviators Cited

Major Fisher Has Many Relatives Living Here.

Major William P. Fisher, one of the Army aviators recommended for the Distinguished Flying Cross for ferrying bombing planes safely across an uncharted area of the Pacific from Hawaii to the Philippines, was born in Atlanta and has many relatives here.

This is just an idea, with an offer to furnish a field.

JUDSON ANDREWS.

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45 Bulldog Gridmen, Coaches Given Rousing Sendoff at Athens

Records Show Cincinnati Best Fielding Team

McCormick Tops First Basemen, Fry Leading Second Sacker.

By JUDSON BAILEY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—(P)—The best fielding team in the National League still is the Cincinnati Reds.

The official 1941 records, released today, showed that Frank McCormick of the Reds, topped all first basemen defensively for the third consecutive season. Teammate Louie Frye surpassed all second basemen and the Reds excelled as a club for the second straight year.

There always is a lot of dispute about the value of fielding averages. Good players who make a try for every ball suffer in the percentages by their very zeal, because they are bound to miss some of the hard ones. On the other hand, Zeke Bonura, who always has been a likeable clown defensively, led the first basemen in fielding in his last season in the American League simply because he made no effort to make difficult plays.

In spite of all this the fielding figures always are interesting. Unlike the batting averages, they aren't available during the season and therefore they give the fans something new to ponder during the winter. They also furnish fancy little tidbits of information like the fact that big Ernie Lombardi, of the Reds, allowed 16 passed balls last season and led the league in this dubious department for the seventh consecutive year.

BRAVES IN NEWS.

This season there could be little argument about the prowess of the fielding leaders shown by the averages. Besides McCormick and Frye, the top defensive men were Shortstop Eddie Miller, Catcher Ray Berres and Outfielder John Cooney, of the Boston Braves, and Third Baseman Merrill May, of the Phils.

The Braves finished sixth in team fielding, even though they had three of the individual leaders and for the third straight year completed the most double plays, 174. Pittsburgh had the most errors, 196.

McCormick made only eight errors in handling a total of 1,564 fielding chances. His hitting fell off during the season but he remained a fielding star throughout.

Another interesting sidelight was that the aging Cooney, who made but one error at Boston's star outfielder for 111 games, handling 284 chances, also played four games at first base without a miscue, successfully disposing of 43 chances and participating in four double plays.

WHITEHEAD SECOND.

Frey barely nosed out Burges Whitehead of the Giants for second base honors. The Cincinnati star averaged .969 with 24 errors in 796 chances while Whitehead averaged .965 with 18 errors in 591 chances.

May handled 533 chances at third base with only 15 errors for .972 percentage, far exceeding Jimmy Brown, Bill Werbel and the stars of other teams. Miller played in 154 games, handling 850 chances and participating in 112 double plays with just 29 errors for a .966 percentage—thus confirming everybody's belief that he is the best fielding shortstop in the league.

Besides Cooney, the leaders defensively among outfielders including in more than 100 games were Don Dallemand of the Chicago Cubs with four errors in 300 chances, Terry Moore of St. Louis with five in 312; Harry Craft of Cincinnati with five in 291; and Joe Medwick of Brooklyn with five in 286. Pete Reiser, the Dodgers' sensational rookie centerfielder, made seven in 377.

Berres barely nosed out Mickey Owen of Brooklyn for catching laurels, .952 to .949. Al Lopez of Pittsburgh caught 114 games with a passed ball.

Twenty-eight pitchers had perfect fielding records, tops being Max Butcher of the Pirates with .65 chances.

Bowling

TENPIN TOURNEY.

The tenpin tournament offering as a first guaranteed prize a \$25 defense bond, got under way yesterday with a few of the more hardy bowlers their game on Christmas Day.

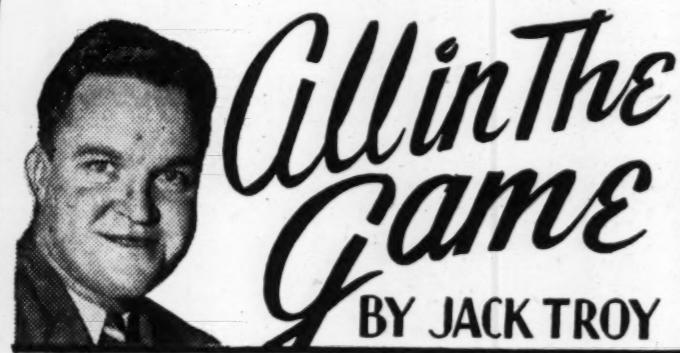
Today we will see the influx of some of the better bowlers. Other prizes will be added as the entries warrant.

It is expected that many of the tenpin leagues will be entered. Foul line judges will be provided at 2:30 and 7:30 daily, or special times may be arranged for teams of leagues which desire to bowl at a time other than the set hours.

Atlanta bowlers are flocking to fill the entry lists of the national defense bond tournament, which got under way yesterday with a few bowlers warming up in their initial efforts, taking a crack at the \$1,000 in defense bonds and stamps offered as guaranteed prizes. Entries are still being accepted at either the Queen Pin, Lucky Strike, Palace or Center alleys.

WAR HELPS JAI-ALAI.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 27.—(P)—The war may help one sport in Miami this winter, in a roundabout way. The jai-alai season opened last night and since Madrid, Shanghai and Manila—all strongholds of the ancient Basque pastime—are receiving the effects of the conflict in more severe ways, many top-ranking stars are expected to seek refuge here.



Rebels Boost Array of Fast, Power Backs

Cheatham, Hapes, Hovious, Crain, Butler Face Yanks.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 25. (P)—It is cold remedies for the players, and warm foods for the fans today as Northern and Southern All-Star contingents celebrated Christmas before going to work on each other in Saturday's fourth renewal of the Blue-Grey football series.

The colds ranged from slight sniffles to full-blown snuffles—an undetermined number and only two serious enough to keep the owners indoors. The coaches, meanwhile worried more about strategy and long sessions of "skull practice" than about castanets.

All the boys are expected to play today, including Jack Crain, of Texas, and John Hovious, of Ohio State, who missed practice yesterday because of snuffles.

"For downright gameness, the barracuda is a sissy when compared with the hoss player."

"Tropical Park opened a 21-day meeting at Coral Gables Saturday and the biggest legalized bite in history is being taken from the bettor's bankroll.

"Last spring the Florida legislature decided to get an additional \$2,000,000 for old-age pensions by increasing the levy on pari-mutuels. As a result, 15 cents rather than 10 cents will be taken from every dollar bet."

"Passes have been banned, something that was done in Michigan a year ago, and this move may also hurt attendance, track officials fear."

"Personally, I don't believe that the amount of the tax will keep the average bettor away from any race track if all other things are equal. If his horse wins, he is going to get a sizeable return and will be happy. If the horse he wagers on loses, the tax isn't in any way responsible, so what?"

"The only persons who will be frightened by this 15 per cent business are the big boys who lay in the heavy money. They fully realize they can't beat any game that takes 15 per cent, and will either quit gambling or turn to craps shooting, roulette or some other form of wagering where the odds are almost even."

"They used to say all horse players died broke. A few more times and the boys may experience the thrill of being without funds in the prime of life."

Personally, I don't see why the little operators would care to flirt with any proposition of betting that deducts 15 per cent from every chance that is a long shot, at best.

The information is going to be very helpful. More time can be devoted to the one-armed bandits, or slot machines, which afford an even less opportunity to break even.

Modest Star The other night, when John (WGST) Fulton and this columnist collaborated in presenting Frankie Sinkwich a handsome wrist watch in behalf of Kate Smith, there was a chance to cross-examine the Georgia All-American and find out what makes him tick.

But a chance was all we had. We didn't learn a whole lot. We asked him, for instance, how it is he can spot an opening and get there so quickly. He had no answer. Naturally, he wouldn't. It's just a natural thing with him. He has unusual reflex action and great opening speed.

Frankie ignored talking about himself and paid tribute to some of his teammates, including his roommate, Cliff Kimsey, Georgia signal caller and blocking back.

"Cliff can block for me and, another thing, when he intercepts a pass he is about as hard to bring down as a runaway train."

Sinkwich allowed that "the Good Lord was with me all through the season."

To hear Sinkwich talk, publicly or in private, you'd never guess he made most of the important All-American teams in 1941. He had rather talk about something else.

Good Coaching Sinkwich's sudden ability to jump-pass with such accuracy may be traced to the coaching of Bill Hartman, who may soon be a part of the armed forces of our country.

Hartman was quite adept at jump passing, learning a lot about it as pro player after graduation. He taught Frankie to take the advantage a jump-pass gives a player. It is easier to spot a target and, when mastered, affords a passer more chance against heavy rushing.

(Sinkwich completed 15 out of 25 passes against a fighting Georgia Tech team that kept on top of him).

Hartman has done a fine job of coaching and scouting since he has been with his alma mater as a coach, and after his period of service in the Army is over he'll have a job waiting for him, no doubt.

Headquarters Georgia has established headquarters at the Flamingo hotel, but supporters are scattered here and there. Well over 100 are quartered with Joe Adams at the El Comodoro. Joe is a Georgia supporter at heart.

Tennis Meet Saturday To Open Sugar Bowl

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 25.—(P)—The eighth annual mid-winter sports carnival, leading up to a football double-header of the Sugar Bowl and East-West games, gets under way Saturday with topnotch tennis players of two continents, Gulf coast yachtsmen and two crews of oarsmen competing.

Ted Schroeder, Wayne Sabin, Gardner Mulloy, "Bitty" Grant and Billy Talbert head the domestic entry list in the three-day tennis tournament opening Saturday. All are among the 10 top ranked players of the country and Grant is a former Sugar Bowl champion.

Francisco Secura, 20-year-old University of Miami student from Ecuador who holds several South American championships, heads a small foreign contingent.

DAY'S PROGRAM. The day's program includes a race on the new Basin canal, featuring the 18-eared shells of Rutgers University, from the old Rapidian in New Jersey, and the Orleans Rowing Club. The Southern Yacht Club will stage a series of regattas in the afternoon, featuring by a fish class sloop race bringing together champions of several gulf coast clubs.

ATTENDANCE UP. Sunday comes the annual track meet and as usual interest will be centered on the milk event in which defending Champion John Munski, Leslie MacMichael, Phil Leibowitz, Walter Mehl and Campbell Kane start a campaign to decide the nation's 1942 king of that distance.

BOXING MONDAY. Boxing teams of Southwestern Louisiana University and University of Florida battle Monday night and the following evening

brings the basketball game which shapes up as the greatest in Sugar Bowl history—Long Island U. vs. Tennessee.

After an interval Wednesday to allow the 40,000 or more visitors to enjoy New Orleans' traditional rip-roaring New Year's Eve, the piece de resistance of the program matches Fordham and Missouri in the Sugar Bowl football game before a crowd of 73,000 who long ago bought up all available tickets.

Then on Saturday, January 3, one of the greatest sports carnivals the country has ever witnessed comes to an end with the Shriners' charity football game between all-star college teams from the east and west, transferred here from San Francisco because of the war.

SCORING PLAY. The course is a par 71.

SEEK 23D IN ROW.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 25.—(P)—Horsemen who were worried about the war's effect on the Florida winter racing season breathed easier today after comparing the attendance and mutual figures for the first three days of Tropical Park's meeting with the similar figures for 1940. For the first three days this year, the attendance total was 20,822 for a gain of 2,307. The mutual handle in three days this year was \$588,012, a gain of \$41,190.

7-Under-Par Wins Pro-Amateur Meet

BEAUMONT, Texas, Dec. 25.—(P)—A threesome headed by Claude Harmon, of Winged Foot Golf club, Mamaroneck, N. Y., shaved seven strokes from the Beaumont Country club course today, with the pro-amateur event a prelude to the \$5,000 Open which begins Friday.

Teamed with Harmon, assistant to National Open Champion Craig Wood, were William Seale and Louis Merendino, Beaumont amateurs. Harmon collected \$100 and his partners were awarded trophies.

The course is a par 71.

TIME OUT By Chet Smith



"PREACHER" DIVES—This is J. P. "Preacher" Miller, who plays a good game of guard for Georgia's Orange Bowl Bulldogs. Miller, who once studied for the ministry, started off the season as fourth-stringer, but has rapidly improved and now is pushing Harry Kuniansky for his first-team job. Miller played the best game of his career against Georgia Tech. He weighs 185 and stands 5-10. He moves rapidly for a lineman.

Pacific Coast All-Americans On West Team

High School Teammates, Albert and Reinhard, Together Again.

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 25. (P)—All-American Frankie Albert and Bob Reinhard, who were first teammates and then rivals, are teammates again—and they like it better this way.

In 1937 they helped carry Glendale High school to the championship of Southern California, before Albert found greater fame as a back at Stanford and Reinhard as a tackle at the University of California.

The only repeaters on the Associated Press All-American, the great Pacific coast pair is now on the All-Star squad training here for an engagement in New Orleans January 3 with the eastern luminaries.

"You bet I'm glad to be back with Bob Reinhard," declared flashy Frankie. "He was a good player at Glendale and is about a lieutenant for Uncle Sam."

Johnny Hightower, former Spring Hill college football player, has volunteered for assignment as a bombardier-navigator in the Air Corps ... He's awaiting ruling on waiver of dependencies.

Minute Meditations: To make Oregon State's football team feel at home, hospitable Wallace Wade tendered fresh grass planted in Duke stadium, so the field would be green ... But the Beavers needn't expect to find Wade's team the same.

Reinhard, replied, "It's mighty good to be on the same team with him again. Sort of gives you something to block for."

Break for the Delta. Back in 1937 they helped carry Glendale High school to the championship of Southern California, before Albert found greater fame as a back at Stanford and Reinhard as a tackle at the University of California.

Outside of Fordham-Missouri, the collection will include such backs as Bruce Smith, of Minnesota; Albert, of Stanford; Dudley, of Virginia; Westfall, of Michigan; Crain and Layden, of Texas; Hapes and Hovious, of Mississippi, to mention only a few.

Among the famous linemen present the list will include Odson, of Minnesota; Blandin, of Tulane; Reinhard, of California; Peabody, of Harvard, and Bauman, of Northwestern.

Asked his views on the subject, Reinhard replied, "It's mighty good to be on the same team with him again. Sort of gives you something to block for."

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Transplanted Rose Bowl. Oregon State gets a good break

in their trip to Durham. The Western coast is an old story to the Pacific Conference teams.

THE BIG SWARM.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—When it comes to the matter of collecting football talent in one spot, New Orleans will set a new record around New Year's weekend. Between January 1-3, the Louisiana metropolis, one of the most colorful cities now left on this battered planet, will act as host to more than 200 football stars, including most of the All-American mentioned for 1941.

In addition to the Fordham-Missouri Sugar Bowl engagement and its array of fast backs, the combination forces of the East-West charity show will be on hand. In addition to these four camps the North-South squads will roll in from Montgomery, Ala., after the Blue-Gray contest, which means six squads on the scene.

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Duke Bowls' Only Big Favorite

Rest of Jan. 1 Games Rated Even Battles

Bulldogs Given Slight Nod Over Horned Frogs at Miami.

By WHITNEY MARTIN.
NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—(Wide World)—The gold advice to "miss 'em quick" would seem to apply very nicely to those unfortunate souls who harbor the misguided belief they must go on record concerning the probable outcome of the New Year's Day bowl games. If that advice isn't followed, the oracle's opinion is liable to be that of the man he talked to, influenced by the last piece he read on such-and-such a game, for, if the bowl committees have done nothing else, they have come up with some games which practically defy prediction.

In only one of five bowl games does this misguided soul feel any conviction that he may be right in his selection. That is, Duke over Oregon State in the portable Rose Bowl contest.

This conviction sticks despite a rather scathing communication from Mr. Darrell Luce, of Portland, Ore., in which he deftly points out that there never was a more evenly matched Rose Bowl game, because Oregon State is only 463 points better than Duke. He arrives at this figure after study of a most amazing array of comparative scores.

HOPE FOR WEST.
Mr. Luce hopes that the Blue Devils will read and digest everything written about them so they will enter the game with an acute case of overconfidence, making the work of the Oregonians just that much easier.

It is granted that Oregon State played much the tougher schedule, but we still have the hunch that Duke, playing on its home field and with Wallace Wade's knack of pointing for one game, rates and edges however, if our luck holds out that probably will be the game we're wrong on, with the others possibly right.

You practically have to toss a coin to see who wins in the Missouri-Fordham game in the Sugar Bowl. It matches Missouri's fine running attack and stout line against the Rams' clever passing. We'll string along with Missouri on this one, believing the Tigers' natural power will offset their tendency to be too nonchalant about any game.

Georgia over T. C. U. in the Orange Bowl. That's another shot in the dark, with the knowledge that the Christians beat mighty Texas. We just have a hunch that Frankie Sinkwich, the broken jaw from Jaw-Jaw, will be too many men wrapped in one for the Horned Frogs to handle.

FAVORS AGGIES.

From a standpoint of season's records, the Texas Aggies-Alabama in the Cotton Bowl looks as even as a pair of coat sleeves. We'll take the Aggies in this one, despite their emphatic defeat by Texas in their last start. They will be playing fairly close to home, always a factor when other things seem equal.

The often-overlooked Sun Bowl at El Paso has come up with a game matching two stout teams. We like Texas Tech in this one, and frankly are influenced by the fact that coaches of three teams which lost to both clubs think Tech has the edge in backfield speed.

However, these opinions are carried in the Tulsie publicity, and may be intended to build up the Techsters for a big letdown. You know, the guys saying: "I haven't a chance against you" just before he raps a fellow for a clean single with a lead-balled club.



HORNED FROGS BEST.—Kyle Gillespie, rated by the University of Indiana team as the best player they faced all season, holds the key to T. C. U.'s chances against Georgia's Bulldogs in the Orange Bowl New Year's Day. "As Gillespie goes, so go the Frogs" is the way they think in Texas. The 175-pound senior halfback calls signals, punts, passes and runs.

Tech's Coach Alex Is Oldest Mentor in Length of Service

Ole Man of Flats Has Completed 22 Years as Head Coach at Georgia Tech.

By JOHNNY BRADBERRY.

William Anderson Alexander is now the oldest head football coach in the point of service at one school in the country.

When Bob Zuppke resigned from his post at Illinois after 29 years, the Ole Man of Georgia Tech became the nation's oldest coach at one institution. When the California game was called off he completed his 22nd year as head coach at the Flats.

FIRST 20 HARDEST.

And he'll tell you the first 20 are the hardest.

The Ole Man, as he is called by players, assistants and writers, actually has been coaching at Tech for 30 years. He taught the freshmen in 1911 and in 1912 was officially named assistant to Head Coach John W. Heisman.

He entered Tech as a sub-freshman in 1906 and never played much varsity football. That makes 33 years as player and coach at the Flats.



W. A. ALEXANDER
Nation's "Oldest" Coach.

one school, subtracting two years as a soldier in the first World War.

The Ole Man became head coach in 1920, developed the Rose Bowl champions of 1928 and the Orange Bowl champions of 1939. Otherwise, his teams have compiled only mediocre records.

FULL OF SURPRISES.

However, in contrast to most Southeastern conference schools, the coach at Tech doesn't have to win to keep his job. If he did, Alex would have been fired long ago. One of the chief reasons for this is his uncanny ability to come up to a game and whip some heavily favored opponent, which pleases alumni to no end.

That's why the Ole Man is generally known as the "best defensive coach in the game." That's why the "big-shots" of the south always fear their games with Georgia Tech just a little more than other opponents.

Sports Contributes Heavily to Charity

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—(Wide World)—This being the season of the peace and good will—well, anyway, good will—how about taking time for a look at the way the sports world goes to that charitable impulse each year? . . . Offhand we can think of three or four Christmas fund fight shows that rank as major events. . . . Football kicks in handsomely with its East-West and Pro All-Star games. Baseball, having piled up funds to take care of its own folks, will be playing for the Army in next year's All-Star game. Joe Louis and Buddy Baer (don't forget he reduced his cut to 12 1/2 per cent) will be making a big contribution to the Navy relief fund. . . . The A. B. C. has adopted a slogan "Bowl and Buy Bonds." Hockey has put on several all-star games for needy players and likely will go farther this winter. . . . Name your sport that doesn't gladly contribute in time of need and you can have it—we don't want it.

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Tide Warned Aggie Kicker Doesn't Miss

Webster Converted 24 Straight Extra Points This Season.

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, Dec. 25.—(P)—Note to Alabama's Crimson Tide:

Texas A. & M., which meets you in the Cotton Bowl January 1, has played in two bowl games in two years and a point after touchdown has decided each. They beat Tulane, 14-13, in 1940, and Fordham, 13-12, in 1941.

Also:

Texas A. & M. has a fellow this season, name of Jake Webster, who has kicked 26 out of 29 tries for the added point.

They're wondering at Aggieland if that isn't a record in college football for this year.

Last season as a sophomore, Jake saw little service because Marion Pugh was setting the Southwest conference on fire with his conversions—and too, Jake was spelling John Kimbrough at fullback, so you can see how much chance he got to play.

However, Webster did attract attention with a field goal what little time he was in there.

This season Jake blossomed as one of the best and ran up 24 straight before he missed on his second attempt against Southern Methodist.

His best day was 7 for 7 against New York University and he got 6 for 6 against Baylor.

Anyway, the moral of this story is that Alabama better not miss points after touchdown in the Cotton Bowl because Jake isn't in a mood to see any of his boots go awry.

Alabama Leaves Sunday Morning.

UNIVERSITY, Ala., Dec. 25.—A 41-man squad of Crimson Tiders will leave Tuscaloosa Sunday morning at 9:05 for Dallas, Texas, and the Cotton Bowl. The gridiron machine will arrive in the game town at 1:50 Monday afternoon to get in some light work before the New Year's Day clash with the Aggies of Texas A. & M.

Cecil Travis Must Report Here Jan. 7

RIVERDALE, Ga., Dec. 25.—(P)—Cecil Travis, heavy-hitting Washington infielder whose 359 average was second only to Ted Williams, of Boston, in the American League last season, has been drafted for military service effective January 7.

Travis said tonight the Fayette county draft board had notified him to report on that date for induction at Fort McPherson in Atlanta.

Travis, who has played with Washington since he came up from Chattanooga in 1932, was 28 years old last August 8. He is single. He has played shortstop and third base for the Senators and never hit below .300 except in 1939 when he was ill more than half the season. That year he hit .292.

In spring training last year Manager Bucky Harris taught him an altered batting stance and he became, for the first time in his career, a power hitter. He batted in more than 100 runs and clouted 39 doubles, 19 triples and seven homers.

Travis was to have been drafted last summer, but at that time received a 60-day deferment. When the time had expired, he had reached his 28th birthday and his draft board took no further action.

Duluth Five Beats Constitution, 42-32

DULUTH, Ga., Dec. 25.—The Duluth Athletic Club proved victorious over the Atlanta Constitution quintet Tuesday night by a score of 42 to 32.

The Duluth club is looking forward to another game with the strong Constitution quintet in the latter part of the season. The Constitution showed much skill and alertness. Wells, for The Constitution, led his team with 14 points, and G. Murphy, of Duluth, 18 points.

CONSTITUTION POS. DULUTH POS.
Wells (14) F. Bagwell (6)
Sherman (11) G. Murphy (18)
F. (1) C. O. Murphy (14)
Kodel (3) G. Pittard (2)
McKenzie (2) G. B. Pittman (2)
Substitutions: Constitution, none; Duluth, Wilson and Hambrick.

The Chief Equals Tropical Record

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 25.—(P)—The Chief, Maxwell Howard's temperamental, unpredictable veteran, equalled Ringie's Tropical Park record here today by speeding to victory in the mile and 70 yards Christmas handicap in 1:41 1/5.

The six-year-old gelding finished a length and half on top in the field of seven and rewarded his backers with \$13.60, \$6.60 and \$4.40 for \$2 across the board. He was capably ridden by Jockey Jimmy Stout and took down \$1,600 of the \$2,500 purse.

The State's Benefactor was an easy second, coming home four lengths ahead of Mrs. L. Lazare's fancied City Talk.

Benefactor paid \$5.30 and \$3.80 and City Talk \$3.40.

Mrs. A. R. Smith's Victory Bound, at \$35.50, \$16.40 and \$7.10, in the fourth race was the chief long-shot winner on the program.

Capital Buckles Down to Grim War Business

United States Takes Its Battle Station on Various Fronts.

WASHINGTON — The capital has taken on the tempo and color of a wartime garrison. Until the order came for all service men to don uniform, few people had the faintest idea how crowded the city was with Army and Navy officers.

Now railroad stations, hotel lobbies, coffee shops, and bars have a distinctly khaki atmosphere. Shoulders seem straighter and men taller. And the girls who stand beside those uniformed men somehow seem more gracious and gentle than they have since women got the vote.

The rooftops of most of Washington's big buildings have been fortified with antiaircraft guns.

Soldiers stand on watch 24 hours a day besides their men. At noon hour clerks and stenographers from the offices below take their lunches to the roof and share them with the guards.

Apartment owners are tearing up their wooden sundecks and putting in telephone extensions to the roofs.

In front of the White House steam shovels dig a hole in the ground. Every citizen who passes the executive mansion knows there can be only one grim purpose for that hole.

Meanwhile, down at the district court, the martial tunes are synchronized with marital bells. During the first week of the war an almost seven-day record was set with much the greater portion of marriage licenses going to men in uniform.

The total number of licenses issued during the year is now close to 10,000 which makes it the biggest love-year in the capital's history.

It is curious the small amount of flag waving that is being done. The stars and stripes wave only from the government buildings which always carried flags anyway.

One of the most important offices in Washington these days is the one that somehow seemed the most laughable during the past several months. It is the Office of Civilian Defense. They're the people who never forgot that it could happen here.

A poignant side drama in the city is that of Clarke H. Kawaka-

You're in the Army Now—By Ficklen



"Set an extra plate, Jason; our son at Camp Bowie is bringing his PLATOON for dinner."

Ship Vibration Gone Is Report

Vibration has been reduced to a minimum on a motor-driven vessel delivered to Sweden's Cartographical Office, it is reported in Stockholm. The use of Diesel machinery has hitherto been impossible on deep-sea surveying vessels of this department because of the chart-drawing on board. Tests showed that by fitting a propeller with hydraulically operated adjustable blades, enabling the pitch and the revolutions of the propeller to be regulated according to requirements, the running of the vessel was made virtually free from vibration. With a propeller of this type it is also possible to maneuver the vessel from the bridge without the intermediary of the engine room tender.

CIVIC UTOPIA?

When Lambert Daniel, an Oklahoma City businessman, died he left a fund to finance a series of lectures to be delivered at the University of Oklahoma, one each year for 25 years. The subject of the lectures will be "What Is the Best Form of Government for the Happiness of Man?" The University will choose each speaker.

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"First in the Day—First to Pay"



NOW TO SAMBA—The DeSylvia Twins, fresh from a record-breaking engagement in Chicago, will be an additional attraction on the Rainbow Roof of the Ansley hotel for the New Year's Eve party. They open tomorrow night on the Roof and feature the new Samba dance imported from the South American countries.

Tommy Tucker Santa at Store And Orchestra Aids Needy On Play at Dance His Own Time

Nationally Popular Band Will Appear Tonight at Auditorium.

"It's Tommy Tucker Time" in Atlanta tonight, with the famous leader and his band scheduled to furnish the music for a dance at the Municipal auditorium from 9 until 1 o'clock.

Tucker's band appears here at the peak of its popularity. Tommy introduced "I Don't Want to Set the World on Fire" several months ago and followed up this performance with a recording of the same number which has now sold more than half a million copies.

This popular band's rendition of "The Man That Comes Around" also ranks with the best selling records of all time.

Featured singer on "Tommy Tucker Time" is Amy Arnell, beautiful Portsmouth, Va., girl whose lovely voice is known to thousands of fans the nation over.

Other Tucker singers are Donald Brown and Kerwin Somerville, who has had considerable success with his version of "Seven Beers With the Wimpy Woman."

Tucker's is the first big-time orchestra to appear at the auditorium in many months.

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Santa Claus Brings Moviegoers Group of Pleasing New Pictures

'Bedtime Story' at Rialto; Fox Shows 'Louisiana Purchase'; Loew's Presents 'Tarzan' Opus; Capitol Screens Drama; Roxy Comedy.

By LEE ROGERS, Motion Picture Editor.

Santa Claus brought Atlanta theatergoers a swell racy farce in "Bedtime Story" at the Rialto yesterday and a clever, fast-paced musical comedy, "Louisiana Purchase," in technicolor, at the Fox.

Loew's offering was "Tarzan's Secret Treasure," which has very amusing and entertaining animal scenes and a story which will delight the kiddies and Tarzan fans of all ages.

Pretty girls, a 700-pound trick bear, vaudeville specialties and the dramatic "Flight From Destiny" will please the Capitol theater's patrons. Homely humor with some sophisticated quips from Charlie McCarthy thrown in is the chief offering of "Look Who's Laughing" at the Roxy.

Fast-Paced Musical On Screen at Fox.

"Louisiana Purchase" is a fast-paced musical comedy with a jamp-up cast, good costuming, scenery and production with a satirical story which is just what Santa Claus would choose for his own holiday movie entertainment. It is filmed in technicolor and plays at the Fox.

Victor Moore returns to movie-land to play the same little squeaking voiced, effeminate senator he created in the stage production which ran two years on Broadway.

The satire concerns the investigation of the Louisiana Purchasing Company. There is an elaborate scene at the beginning of the movie in which the words are sung to the effect: no resemblance of any character to any person living or dead is intended so the scene is laid in the "mythical state of Louisiana and in the make-believe town of New Orleans.

Senator Moore, a Republican who knows all the tricks of politics, is sent to Louisiana to investigate the Democratic regime. The investigation may set the senator up as presidential dark horse candidate—he's been a dark horse 30 years. Figurehead of the grafters is Bob Hope. Hope gets Vera Zorina to compromise the senator, but she feels sorry for him and fails. Irene Bordoni and several shapely girls pull some rare bedroom tricks, before Irene takes Victor to a justice of the peace.

Comedy is rich with Hope and Moore around. Both depend on facial expressions for much of their comedy and it's really a battle royal for laugh honors. Zorina looks beautiful, sings and dances. Diana Drake (former band leader Ina Ray Hutton) sings "Louisiana Purchase" and other songs in abbreviated costume. Music and lyrics by Irving Berlin and the story was written by B. G. deSylvia.

"They told me you wouldn't come," he exclaimed, "but I knew you would!"

Norman also visited another poor child who had seen his picture as Santa Claus in The Constitution and written him a letter.

Hearing that Norman was no mere professional Santa Claus in the store, the manager gave him 150 presents to be distributed. So Santa Claus was kept busy all Christmas Day.

Ordinarily Norman is a shoe salesman, but he feels that being Santa Claus is the best job in the world.

Change to a better used car.

Many are offered daily in Constitution Want Ads.

Pup, 'War Victim', Is Seeking Home

Add to the displacements caused by war the plight of "Lady," the wire-haired pup.

Lady had a good home with Mrs. Victor E. O'Neal, of 274 Eighth Street, N. E., Apt. 4.

Now Mrs. O'Neal feels the urge to help her country, so she is joining up for a Red Cross first-aid training course that will keep her away from home a lot.

Consequently, she can't care for Lady as she should.

Will anybody take Lady and give her a permanent home? She is eight months old, friendly, energetic and playful. And her mistress' phone number is Vernon 7388.

She is not for sale, but Mrs. O'Neal wants Lady to have a good home.

District Leaders Map Polio Drive

Special to THE CONSTITUTION.

TOCCOA, Ga., Dec. 25.—The county chairmen for the Ninth congressional district held a luncheon-meeting at the Lake Louise hotel for the purpose of formulating plans for the celebration of the President's birthday and the annual poliomyelitis fund drive, beginning January 5.

W. J. Andrew, chairman for the Ninth congressional district, presided at the meeting.

Quotas for the polio drive will be assigned counties in the Ninth district in the near future. Cups will be awarded at the close of the polio drive to counties in each district in the state which make the best record.

Committees for the President's birthday celebration and the polio drive in Stephens county will be announced later.

George C. Walters, 61, Toccoa Dentist, Dies

Special to THE CONSTITUTION.

TOCCOA, Ga., Dec. 25.—George Cephus Walters, 61, well-known local dentist, died at his home here and funeral services were held at the First Methodist church of Toccoa. The Rev. D. S. Patterson officiated, assisted by Dr. A. T. Cline and Dr. George Shaw. Interment was in the cemetery at Lavonia.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Susie Lee McNeil Walters; daughters, Sara Rebecca and Minnie Gene; six brothers and sisters, R. L. Walters, C. L. Walters and Mrs. R. J. Bruce, all of Toccoa; T. G. Walters, of Atlanta; Mrs. S. T. Pearman, of Chula; Mrs. Paul Underwood, of Mystic.

Bridges said the Florida Parole Commission had probation supervision agreements with many other states, thus making it possible to send paroled convicts to their former homes.

If the men "make good,"

Bridges explained, they may apply to the State Pardon Board for a full or conditional pardon.

The Parole Commission has no par-

doning power.

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\$1,131,075,000 Cut In Non-Defense Spending Is Urged

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—(AP)—A \$1,131,075,000 cut in non-defense spending, slicing deeply into agricultural, public works and relief activities and abolishing the CCC and NYA, was recommended to congress today by a special economy committee which declared "there is no room for non-essentials in a government stripped for action."

The report was made public by Senator Byrd, Democrat, Virginia, chairman of a committee which included other members of the senate and house as well as administration fiscal officials.

The committee, which was authorized by a special congressional action, emphasized that its work was only partly done and Byrd said that he hoped it would be able to point out other savings which would bring the total cut to between \$1,500,000,000 and \$2,000,000,000.

Threat of Skin Diseases Cited By Navy Doctor

Infections Increase During War-Time, Expert Says.

By G. B. LAL
I. N. S. Science Editor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—New methods for the prevention and treatment of certain infectious diseases of the skin, which tend to increase among soldiers and civilians in war time, were revealed today by Lieutenant Commander Dr. Marion B. Sulzberger, U. S. Navy eminent dermatologist.

In connection with the session of the American Academy of Dermatology, Dr. Sulzberger pointed out:

There are a number of skin diseases, caused by infectious agents, which become a serious problem in war time. This has been learned from the reports of British medical scientists.

Already there are signs that some of these ailments are increasing in the Army and the Navy. In air raid shelters, if we are subjected to aerial bombardment, the civilians also run the risk of contracting some of these skin maladies.

Diseases Spread.

"The diseases are due to germs, parasites and viruses, of special kinds. When people move about, as the soldiers have to do, and when they come together, as civilians do in air raid shelters, such diseases tend to spread and to become active."

Senator George, Democrat, Georgia, proposed that defense functions of the National Youth Administration and the Bureau of Education should be continued in those agencies unless a substantial saving could be made by combining them. The majority of the committee proposed that such functions be transferred to other agencies.

Smith Refrains.

Harold D. Smith, budget director, refrained from joining in the committee report, observing in a letter that because he is participating in preparing the President's 1943 budget, to be submitted January 3 he "obviously cannot join in a report which may contain recommendations at variance therewith."

"Before the war," the committee told congress, "economy in nonessential spending was important. Now it is vital."

"Strenuous efforts are being made to prevent serious price inflation. To continue consumer subsidies created during depression years without urgent necessity would result in a disastrous inflation fire."

"New measures have to be taken to prevent the spreading of such ailments. The Navy has ordered all hospitals to have special skin clinics to meet the new emergency."

New Drugs.

"Scientifically, we are developing new and more effective chemical drugs to cure any skin infections."

"Some of the new sulfa-drugs, particularly sulfathiazole, have been found to be very effective in curing infections with pus."

"New sulphur preparations, whose exact chemical compositions are not to be revealed yet, are being developed for rapid cures. Ringworm and other infections of the feet are to be treated with new dyes, based upon gentian violet and other substances."

"Soldiers or civilians, who will promptly seek treatment, will not only be spared ailment themselves, but also prevent spreading among others."

Sergeant O'Hara

Remains in Army

FORT OGLETHORPE, Ga., Dec. 25.—(AP)—Wer it not for the war, Master Sergeant Joseph P. O'Hara would have retired from the Army December 31, after 30 years of service.

He has won his retirement papers bearing the notation, "Character excellent and service honest and faithful," but because of the emergency he will continue to serve as post sergeant major.

Retired as an expert at saber play and proficient with a pistol and rifle, the sergeant has the esteem of the entire post. The public relations office says:

"Every order given him can be checked off as promptly and efficiently and most intelligently executed. He is a noncommissioned officer of force and initiative developed to the highest degree."

"His vast store of information with relation to Army regulations and customs of the service is an inspiration to the young soldiers and the aye as well as the comfort of the older officers, whose problems always meet with courteous solution when laid on the desk of the 'sergeant major.'"

Sergeant O'Hara has served his country in Mexico, France and at various cavalry posts in this country.

**Griffin Odd Fellows
Elect Officers for 1942**

Special to THE CONSTITUTION
GRIFFIN, Ga., Dec. 25.—President A. H. Shuler, former superintendent of Spalding county schools, has been named noble grand of Warren Lodge, Odd Fellows. He will lead the organization during 1942 and will succeed K. R. Vance.

Other officers who were elected are: C. D. Higgins, vice g.; and E. E. Chappell, re-elected recording secretary; and Grady Chappell, re-elected financial secretary. L. F. Stephen was named treasurer to succeed J. W. Howard.

M. O. Chappell, who has served as Warren Lodge degree captain for the past 20 years, was re-elected to that post.



NO BLACKOUT IN DENVER—Colorado's mile-high mountain bordered capital once again has turned its civic center into a fairyland of gay lights. Silhouetted against the municipal building are the famous bronze figures of the Indian scouts and the bronco.

Short Course Dalton Plant For Farmers Is Gives Bonds Set at Athens To Employees

Leaders To Discuss Problems at January Session.

Special to THE CONSTITUTION.

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 25.—Plans are almost complete for the second annual winter short course in January at the College of Agriculture at the University of Georgia with the announcement of faculty members by Dean Paul W. Chapman.

Instruction will be given by the following members of the College of Agriculture faculty: Dairy cattle feeding and management, K. M. Autrey; director of the course and assistant professor of dairying; forage and grain production, Edwin James, assistant professor of agronomy; farm machinery, Harold White, instructor in agricultural engineering; English, William Tate, dean of students and assistant professor of English in the College of Arts and Sciences; farm information, Dean Chapman; vegetable and fruit production, R. L. Keener, professor of horticulture.

Livestock production, M. L. Buchanan, associate professor of animal husbandry; poultry production, James B. Cooper, instructor in poultry husbandry, and farm planning, Frank P. King, associate professor of agricultural economics and rural sociology.

Young men from 25 counties have been accepted for the course.

Registration will be completed within the next few days as final applications for admission are received by Dean Chapman.

Athens Co-eds

Are Patriotic

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 25.—(AP)—

If you fathers of University of Georgia coeds were startled by the appearance of a friend's daughter at her return home for the holidays, you might like to know that the latest fashion on the campus is the painting of fingernails a patriotic red, white and blue.

The girls also have been tricking the boys by making bracelets out of blondes by the simple expedient of rubbing naturally fair tresses with blue or black carbon paper.

The college girl who is really in the groove will also wear mismatched socks, one coed reporting:

"All you have to do is close your eyes and pull out two socks—it's wonderful."

Instead of painting the fingernails in stripes, one girl in a group may vary the monotony (sic!) by painting every other fingernail blue.

All the girls have taken to covering the rims of their glasses with red nail polish to make them resemble goggles.

And that rattle you hear down the sidewalk is not a 1914 model automobile, it's another girl who has yielded to the rage of wearing about 16 bracelets at one time.

White or red cowboy boots are practical on rainy days. And the girls do keep their heads warm on cold days by wrapping a scarf around in peasant fashion.

for which reserves are created.

Big Reduction Seen.

A WPA spokesman said that if

the Byrd committee proposals were made law by congress, the rolls of the work relief agency probably would be reduced from the current employment of 1,050,000 to approximately 160,000 for the whole country at the beginning of the next fiscal year in July.

The 160,000 would be the probable number remaining, he said, after the severe slicing of appropriations and transfer of the agency's defense project operations to the Army and Navy.

This official forecasted a virtual complete stoppage of WPA operations in many areas under the curtailment as proposed by the committee. He said that WPA employment already had been sliced from a total of over 3,000,000 workers in 1938 to approximately 1,000,000 today.

The CCC, which the committee proposed to abolish, now has 150,000 enrollees.

"Reserves," he said, "are set up primarily to meet unforeseen contingencies and to avoid deficiencies."

Many times these reserves result in large savings. It seems to me that if a general recommendation of this kind is adopted it would defeat the very purpose

of the committee.

Yatesville Rites For Mrs. Matthews

Special to THE CONSTITUTION.

YATESVILLE, Ga., Dec. 25.—Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Alice Matthews, 89, were conducted from the Yatesville Methodist Church here yesterday afternoon.

Interment was in New Hope cemetery. The services were in charge of the Rev. Paul M. Minter, Elder George K. Goddard and the Rev. A. B. Hawkes.

Mrs. Matthews died at the home

of her son, Louis H. Matthews, following a severe heart attack suffered a week ago.

Widow of William W. Matthews, of Upson county, she was formerly Miss Mary Alice Spier, of Fayetteville, and had resided in this community for more than 70 years.

Surviving are four sons, Paul

Matthews, of Barnesville; J. C.

Matthews, of LaGrange; L. H.

Matthews, of Yatesville, and W.

W. W. Matthews, of Atlanta. Twenty-six grandchildren and 20 great-

Wahh Comes to Jackson Heights: Slap-Happy, But Also Pip-Pip

Special to THE CONSTITUTION.
NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Jackson Heights is that part of New York which is justifiably famous for having LaGuardia Field and more babies and dogs per square block than anyone has been able to count.

We who live in Jackson Heights apartment houses always have looked down on those living in Woodside, Flushing, Elmhurst and Greenpoint. The air is better in Jackson Heights.

Of course, the elevated is a noisy, and the fire sirens do make a bit of a racket, and sometimes you think the airliners are going to land on the roof as they level off for the airport, but outside of that is very quiet and pastoral.

We have our own post office and our own public school, dear old No. 69, with its P-T. A.; to say nothing of our five-and-tens, super markets, shopper's guide and loan company offices.

Definitely, it has been the right sort of place to live and have a baby or a dog. And if you have a baby, you are entitled to a key (50-cent deposit) to one of the Queensboro Corporation's playgrounds, and are bowed to in passing with your perambulator as one of the substantial citizens of the community.

Before the War.

But that was before the wahh. The wahh. Already, ah hate wahh. It has upset the daily routine most provokingly.

Take the fire sirens. Almost all the buildings in Jackson Heights are of steel and concrete, and

there hasn't been a successful fire since the roof of an apartment on 82nd street burned some two years ago.

Consequently, there is no point in chasing fire engines, and we Jackson Heights-ers got so we never heard the sirens any more. But now they tell us they'll throw us in the klink if we don't scramble under the dining-room table whenever we hear one long and one short on the sirens.

And take airplanes. Before the wahh, a Jackson Heights-er could walk along the street and without raising his eyes for verification, could tell whether a passing plane was a TWA or an EAL airliner, or a Clipper. Flying over Long Island sound or somebody's old crat out for a Sunday afternoon joy hop. We could tell all that by the volume and the pitch of the motors.

Just the Stork.

And if you heard just a gentle swishing sound, or an exclamation of surprise and perhaps a faint wail, you would say, "Oh, it's just the stork again," and never bother to turn your head.

Now all of us in Jackson Heights are getting stiff necks, wandering at the sky, not willing to trust our own judgments. It may sound like a stratosphere, but it could be a Stuka. It may sound like a stork, but the swish might be a bomb dropping.

When one is halfway between home and subway and a plane is heard, there always is that terrible moment of indecision. Which way to gallop, so as not to run at a big fiesta in Mexico City.

afoul of the minions of His Honor, Butch the Mayor?

One casts his eyes about, looking for something familiar amidst all this madness, and fortunate he is indeed if he espies a tavern where he can compromise until the alert has ended. It will be surprising if some enterprising barkeep does not invent a "Half-way-between-home-and-subway" eat and sleep place for himself in the final history of the wahh.

But, come what may, we in Jackson Heights plan to carry on, pip-pip. We may emerge slightly slap-happy, blind as moles, from living in basements, and adorned with bumps from banging our heads on the underside of the dining-room table, but we are made of the right stuff and posterity will be proud of us.

We are going to stick it out without leaving our apartments. It says so right here in the lease..

Mexico To Crown Films In Government Prizes

Government prizes for film

work are to be awarded in Mexico. They will supplement prizes awarded each year in the industry itself under the sponsorship of the federal film department whose chief, F. G. Castillo, is making arrangements for the government awards. The new "Oscar" is a total of \$20,000 (Mex) in prizes for the best Mexican picture, best direction, best script and the ace performance by an actor or actress in 1941. The awards will be made at a big fiesta in Mexico City.

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A Possessive Attitude Is Proven Way To Make Man Wary

By Dixie George

Dear Dixie:
Five months ago I was the happiest girl in the world, but something happened. I had been going with a nice young man who was perfect in every respect. In other words, he was my dream man. We quarreled about another girl he was going with, as he was nice enough to tell me every time he saw her. He said he was not in love with her because she was a gold digger. He would take her places and do things for her that I would find out later. I thought that he was making a great difference between us, and I had stood it just about as long as I could, so one night I exploded and displayed my temper and now I am suffering for it. I knew I had done and said the wrong thing and I asked him to forgive me at once. I could tell that he was hurt, but he promised me that he would forgive me, but since then he has changed. He only dates me once a week and sometimes it is two weeks. In the meantime, he will come around and talk and then leave. When he comes around he acts as if nothing has happened. I have tried to make it obvious that I think as much of him as ever and enjoy his company, but I am worrying myself to death. How can I get him back for keeps? Do you think he is still interested in me?

HEARTBROKEN.

After all, you were not engaged, and you were certainly assuming too much to think that he should go with you exclusively. Since you displayed your temper he has a right to think that you are taking him too seriously, and no amount of begging nor persuading on your part can make him change. The only thing you can do is to appear as if his dating this other girl makes no difference to you; treat him with indifference, but friendly. I am sure he still likes you, so do not refer to the little quarrel again. By not running after him, I think you can impress him more, and can stand

Points for Parents

By Edyth Thomas Wallace.



Mother: "We're all of us tired and feel sort of let down today. What shall we do to the first fellow who gets cross?"

Son: "Let's make him go to his room and stay there alone."

Not This



Mother: "Do stop your fussing! I'm telling you right now that I'm going to punish the next one of you that gets cranky today. You'd better behave, for I mean what I say."

When a "we" family decides upon a penalty, it is accepted with much better grace when "I" imposes punishment upon "you."

A House Frock Designed for Thrift

By Lillian Mae.

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Put on Extra Clothing Only if It Adds Comfort

By Dr. William Brady.

There may be some justification for the "cold" dodge when a doctor really doesn't know as yet

what the patient is developing and believes the patient's family is not sufficiently intelligent to understand an honest statement that it is as yet too early to make a definite diagnosis.

For the life of me I can conceive no justification for ringing in "exposure" when offering the public advice on how to avoid pneumonia. From a bulletin I

"Even in older people with chronic disease, the case-fatality in pneumonia is higher than it need be. Increased efforts also need to be exerted in the direction of prevention of predisposing minor infections. Many persons needlessly suffer attacks which they might be saved by avoidance of exposure or by greater attention to personal hygiene . . ."

A boy of Haynes against a pipe with a straight seven-inch stem that the man who wrote that meant exposure to cold, dampness, draft, sudden change, wind and the like, and by attention to personal hygiene he meant greater care to put on rubbers or heavy wraps or woolen underwear or something like that.

There is no scientific medical ground for the notion that casual or even severe exposure to cold or wet in any circumstance either causes or predisposes to any respiratory disease or illness.

If medicine knows anything about pneumonia it is no longer permissible for a doctor to mislead, confuse and frighten people by telling them or even by implying that one can get pneumonia by merely getting one's feet wet or by sitting in a draft or by going out on a cold day without an overcoat or anything like that. In reply to many queries I say that so far as health is concerned there is one simple rule to guide adults and children alike—in any condition of season weather or climate wear as little as you like, and never put on any extra clothing if you feel more comfortable without it.

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HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 25.—(INS)

I thought you might like to know that Norma Shearer and Robert Taylor are to be teamed again in "Love Me Not." For your private information, that was formerly "Her Cardboard Lover" and M.G.M., at this writing, is negotiating with George Sanders for the third important role.

This is the first movie Norma and Bob have made together since "Escape," which was very much in the war mood, so it will be interesting to see George Cukor, who will direct, put them through their comedy paces. By the way, the picture is her final one on her M.G.M. contract.

Queenie Vassar (Mrs. Joe Hawthorne in private life) showed them that she could act and that her 30-odd years on the stage held her in good stead when she played the grandmother in "Primrose Path." Well, Greg La Cava, who directed Queenie in the Ginger Rogers opus, has now signed her to play a female "Death Valley Scotty" in Irene Dunne's movie, "The Sheltered Lady." Kent Smith, New York actor, is being tested for the lead opposite La

Dunne.

A LINE OR TWO: Jimmy Stewart had made all his plans to eat Christmas dinner with the Hank Fonda's, but now that all leaves have been cancelled he will remain with his unit. Lots of

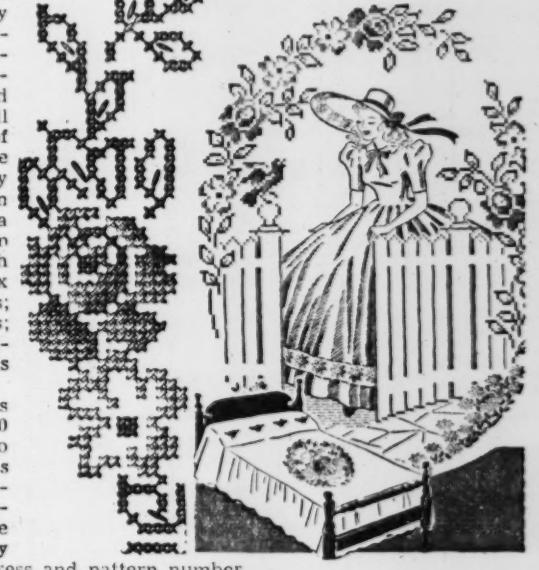
Christmas presents have gone to him. He is still living in a pup tent and it is plenty cold. . . . We so often wonder what happens to our players who are no longer on the screen, so it may be interesting reading this morning to hear that Farina, who played little girl roles in Hal Roach's "Our Gang" comedies, is a strapping lad in the Army and Joe Cobb, the fat boy, is working in a munitions factory. . . . Katie Hepburn, "is whispered, has turned down a most lucrative offer in the movies to return to the stage.

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Elizabeth Fraser, Warner Bros. feature player, keeps her cuticle neat by simple home care.

Simple Habits Improve Your Cuticle

By Winifred Ware.

Trim cuticle is the important part of any manicure. Whether your nails carry bright, light or natural polish is the cuticle which sets them off.

A few simple habits will assure your having well-groomed cuticle at all times, not just after manicure. Two of these are simple things which you must remember not to do. First, you must never cut your cuticle. If you have been cutting it, this will seem hard at first for there will be a period during which it will look shaggy. However, if you keep it well pushed back, it won't look too bad and will soon grow even. The other "don't" is, don't file or cut the nails down at the side. This not only improves the general shape of your nails, but keeps away those cuticle hang-nails which are so ugly and painful.

The things you should do are just as simple. One of the most helpful habits is to push back the cuticle on your fingers with the towel each time after washing your hands. It takes but a minute and is the secret of always having well-rounded cuticle. It soon becomes an unconscious action. Use

tooth and jam they want. And by the end of two weeks they will probably be demanding extra slices. To cut calories, you have to limit yourself to one thin slice of meat with one-half pat of butter. And take your coffee black.

Without figuring too closely, you can manage to give the rest of the family about three times as many calories per meal as you get.

The amount of fat and sugar makes the difference in the breakfast menu, and the same plan will work for the other two meals.

Your menus can be the same as theirs provided you delete the salt dressing and gravy, trim the fat off your meat, and avoid all rich desserts.

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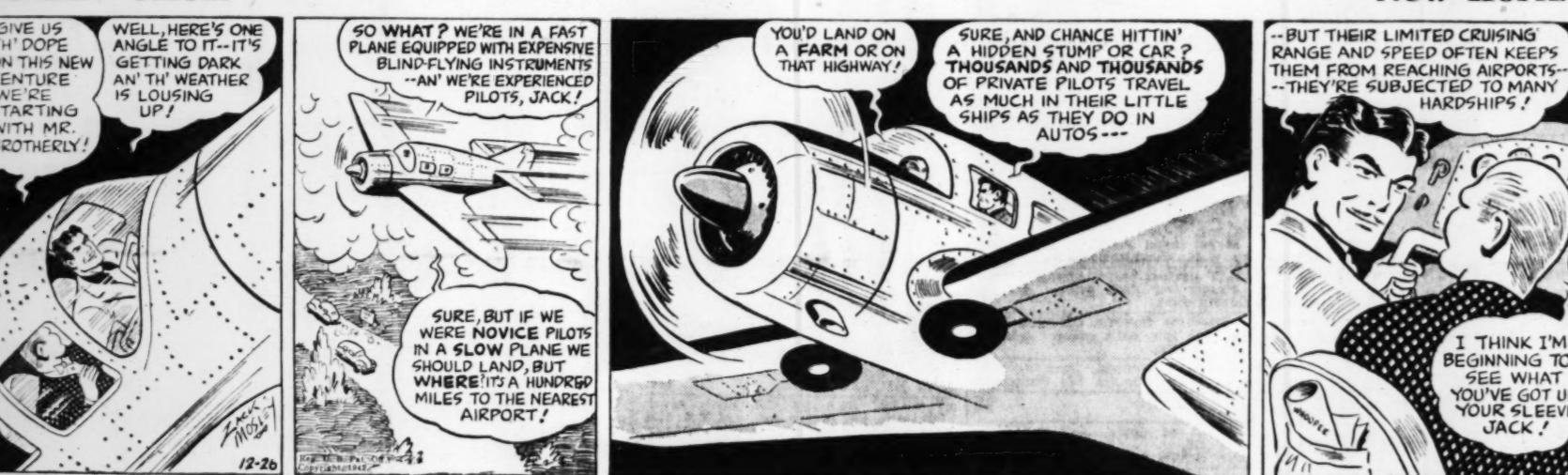
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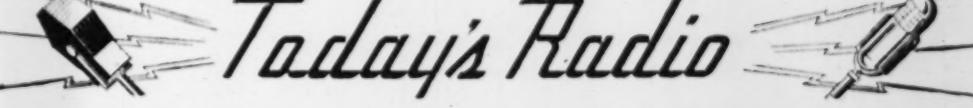
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MORNING

WGST 920	WSB 750	WAGA 1480	WATL 1400
5:00 Silent	Dixie Farm Hour	Silent	
6:00 Aunt Hattie	Dixie Farm Hour	Charlie Smithgall	News: Top Morning
6:10 CONSTITUTION	Dixie Farm Hour	Charlie Smithgall	Top Morning
6:15 Ky. Mountaineers	Farm News	Charlie Smithgall	Top Morning
6:30 Range Riders	Barnyard Jamb. Merry-Go-Round	Charlie Smithgall	Top Morning
6:45 Burns' Varieties	Merry-Go-Round	Charlie Smithgall	Top Morning
7:00 News: Sundial	Checkerboard	Charlie Smithgall	News: Top Morn
7:15 Sundial	News	Charlie Smithgall	Serviceman Ser.
7:30 Sundial	Studio Program	Charlie Smithgall	Morning Man
7:45 News: Sundial	Merry-Go-Round	Charlie Smithgall	Morning Man
8:00 The World Today (C)	News: Penelope Pen	News of Europe (N) News: Mining Man	
8:15 Guide: Sundial	Merry-Go-Round	Morning Rhythms	Morning Man
8:30 News: Sundial	Arth. Godfrey (N)	Rhythms: News	Morning Man
8:45 Betty, Bob	Gospel Singer (N)	News (N)	Let's Shop
9:00 Just Home Folks	Just Home Folks	Breakfast Club (N) News: Interlude	
9:15 Chuck Wagon	Listen, Ladies	Breakfast Club (N) Talk of Town	
9:30 Chuck Wagon	End Day	Breakfast Club (N) Rev. Wade	
9:45 CONSTITUTION	Gospel Singer (N)	Breakfast Club (N) Rev. Wade	
10:00 Morning Serenade	Bess Johnson (N)	News and Music	News
10:15 Myrt and Marge (C)	Bachelor Child (N)	Bible Class	Dance Music
10:30 Stepmother (C)	Twig Is Bent (N)	Bible Class	Singing Strings (M)
10:45 Woman of Courage (C)	Road of Life (N)	Bible Class	Cheer-Up Gang (M)
11:00 Buddy Clark (C)	Mary Martin (N)	Radio Neighbor	News: Music
11:15 Man I Married (C)	Pepper Young (N)	Radio Neighbor	Music
11:30 Linda's First Love	Bud Barton (N)	Jimmy Smith	Melody Strings
11:45 Aunt Jenny (C)	Church (N) Pop Eckler	Church (N) Pop Eckler	Choir Loft (M)

AFTERNOON

WGST 920	WSB 750	WAGA 1480	WATL 1400
12:00 Kate Smith (C)	News	News	News: Music
12:15 Big Sister (C)	Studio Program	Church of Christ	Luncheon Music
12:30 Musical Pickups	Farm Home Hr. (N) Shades of Blue	Okay Boys	Boys
12:45 Our Gal Sunday (C)	Farm Home Hr. (N) Music: Talk	Variety Voices	Variety Voices
1:00 Life Beautiful (C)	Farm Home Hr. (N) Midday Melodies	Interlude	
1:15 Woman in White (C)	Markets	Ted Malone (N)	Helen Holden (M)
1:30 Right Happiness (C)	The Last Mile	Buy Lines	Varieties
1:45 Sidewalk Snopers	News	Music: News	Dance Music
2:00 Young Dr. Malone (C)	Music Appreciator	Music	Cedric Foster
2:15 Joyce Jordan (C)	Dr. Damrosch (N) Appreciation (N)	Appreciation (N)	Cugat Music
2:30 News: C. Science	Music Appreciator	Music: Tips, Tunes	Philadelphia
2:45 Katie Hopkins	Dr. Damrosch (N) Music Moods	Music: News	Symphony Or.
3:00 Jack Burch	Against Storm (N) Orphans (N)	Philadelphia	Philadelphia
3:15 CONSTITUTION	Ma Perkins (N)	Harrison Wife (N)	Symphony Or.
3:30 School of Air	Guiding Light (N)	John's Wife (N)	Philadelphia
3:45 School of Air	Plain Bill (N)	Plain Bill (N)	Symphony Or.
4:00 Music Moments	Backstage Wife (N) Club Matines (N)	Club Matines (N)	Philadelphia
4:15 News: Rep. Cole	Lorenz Dallas (N)	Club Matines (N)	News
4:30 Pipeline B'cast	Lorenz Jones (N)	Club Matines (N)	Johnson Family
4:45 Singin' Sam	Widder Brown (N)	Club Matines (N)	Boake Carter (M)
5:00 Sidewalk Snopers	When Girl Marries	Dance Music	Philadelphia
5:15 The Goldbergs (C)	Portia Faces (N)	Orphan Annie	Parker Circus
5:30 Serenade	We, the Abbotts (N) Music: News	News: Interlude	Time Tunes
5:45 Scattergood Baines	News	Tom Mix (N)	School Digest

EVENING

WGST 920	WSB 750	WAGA 1480	WATL 1400
6:00 Lone Ranger	From Dixie	# O'Clock Club	News
6:15 Lone Ranger	Sport News	Mystery Man	Hirsch Presents
6:30 Frank Parker (C)	Desi Hoban (N)	Lum and Abner (N) Today's Sports	Dance Music
6:45 Edwin C. Hill	Georgia Quills	Dance Music	
7:00 Amos and Andy (C)	Fred Waring (N)	Easy Aces (N)	Fulton Lewis (M)
7:15 Lanny Ross (C)	European News (N) Lost Persons (N)	News: Music	Here's Morgan
7:30 Sundown Serenade	Rhyme and Rhythm (N) Glenn Miller	Army Speaks	
8:00 Kate Smith Hour (C)	Friday Concert (N) Dance Music (N)	Confer. (M)	
8:30 Kate Smith Hour (C)	Information Pl. (N) 3 Ring Time (N)	Dance Music (M)	
9:00 The Playhouse (C)	Waltz Time (N)	Gang Busters (N)	News: Music
9:30 First Nighter (C)	Uncle Walter (N)	Michael, Kitty (N)	Notebook (M)
10:00 Shirley Temple (C)	Wings Destiny (N)	Tennis Turney	Cedric Foster (M)
10:15 Shirley Temple (C)	Wings Destiny (N)	Tennis Turney	Spotlight Bands (M)
10:30 The World Today (C)	Tennis Turney	Tennis Turney	Variety Show (M)
11:00 CONSTITUTION	News: Music	Jimmy Walker (N)	News: Spotlight
11:30 Music You Want	Unlimited Hor.	Dance Music	Dance Music
12:00 News: Music (C)	Rivers	Sign Off	News: Sign Off
3:00 A. M.—Sign Off	Sign Off	Silent	Silent

Wings of Destiny**To Alter Course**

The nation's all-out war effort is sending "Wings of Destiny," radio's No. 1 glorifier of American aviation and airmen, onto an entirely new course (WSB at 10 p. m.).

After the broadcast tonight, which will dramatize the birth and growth of one of the nation's great aviation firms, Lockheed Aircraft Corporation, the program will discontinue dramatization of authentic stories from the files of the Air Corps for fear of disclosing information on the present strength and location of military units. The sponsors also are discontinuing "radio's most unusual award," the weekly Piper Cub airplane, because of war priorities.

The Lockheed firm, builder of the speedy P-38 interceptor and other record-breaking planes, will deliver a special announcement during the program.

The show's new format, to take effect with the broadcast Friday, January 2, will probably be based upon aviation fiction.

Raymond Scott, modern composer and dance band leader, has

entertained the \$10,500 contest to find the Great American Operetta, staged by WGN's "Chicago Theater of the Air," he heard over WATL Saturdays from 9 to 10 p. m. EST.

Scott, younger brother of Conductor Mark Warnow, gained prominence when his original quintet played oddly-titled tunes of his own writing. Some of them were "Twilight in Turkey," "Huckleberry Duck," "Dinner Music for a Pack of Young Cannibals," "Bumpy Weather Over Newark," "Business Men's Bounce."

You can try and guess what Scott will title his operetta entry.

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Jap Invading Army Made of Young Boys, Eyewitness Says

By CLARKE LEE.

ON THE LINGAYEN FRONT NORTH OF MANILA, Dec. 25.—(AP)—The Japanese army rushing toward Manila from the Lingayen Gulf area is an ill-uniformed, untrained mass of young boys between 15 and 18 years old, equipped with small-caliber guns and driven forward by desperate determination to advance or die.

Hundreds of them already have died under the fire of American and Filipino artillery, machine-guns and rifles, but they keep coming and up until tonight had been only partly checked.

The United States armed forces in the Far East, holding the Lingayen area, have rallied and are putting up determined defense in many sections.

Young Filipino troops, after their baptism of fire, are being welded into an army of tough fighters.

The United States forces have more than held their own ground. I have spent four days in and around the fighting front, including a two-day hike over mountain trails after the Japanese cut the main road southward, forcing me to abandon and burn my automobile.

The Lingayen battle started last Monday at 2 a. m. with an artillery duel between Japanese warships and American shore guns.

At the same time a force estimated at 500 Japanese advancing southward from Vigor clashed with American armored car units at San Fernando in La Union Province.

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The ships were in line extending about 25 miles and were anchored about three-quarters of a mile offshore.

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Ignoring.

The Japanese planes bombed and gunned the Americans in continuous lines but scattered at various strategic points along shore. The Japanese warships at that time withheld their fire.

About 7 a. m. the Japanese troops started coming ashore in small flat-bottomed motorboats with curved bows. Many were sunk by gunfire from the shore, but the others kept right on coming.

Ignoring the American fire, they swarmed on the beaches and advanced in files two abreast toward the American positions.

Gasoline Set Afire

I met American defense officers Monday night at a point overlooking Lingayen gulf, lighted by burning gasoline which they had set afire to prevent it falling into Japanese hands.

It was possible to count 36 Japanese ships offshore.

These officers said that prior to the landing the Japanese had bombed and strafed the Americans "for days" without damage.

The Americans said one particular flyer in a Messerschmitt plane used to fly low and wave at them, and that when he came over Sunday and did a few aerobatics they thought something was up. Sure enough, they said, "this morning he came back with planes of every description, and today we have been shot at and bombed by every kind of plane and gun."

They said nearly every one of the Japanese in the landing parties had a small-caliber miniature machine-gun.

Smokeless Powder

The Japanese are using smokeless powder which makes it difficult to detect their firing, until they are very close," an American officer said. "However, they seldom have come close enough for anyone to act."

On some other fronts along Lingayen gulf the battle went better for the Americans. The Japanese were unable to blast their way ashore at Lingayen City on the southern shore and had to withdraw.

During Monday morning Filipino troops supported by American tanks checked Japanese infantry and tanks advancing inland from Damortis.

The Japanese tanks were light ones and no match for the American equipment.

Later Monday afternoon, however, the Japanese renewed their attack under protection of warship gunfire and air attack, and their tanks broke through the American lines, forcing the unit to withdraw.

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High-Test Gas Swings Balance To Allies in Air

100-Octane Fuel Gives Aviation Superiority To U. S., Britain.

By CLARKE BEACH.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—(Wide World)—It's a war between the 100-octane aviation gasoline users and the users of 91-or-100-octane gasoline.

The democracies are the 100-octane men, and many aviators believe that the extra nine or more octane counts will prove to be the margin of victory.

Germany and Japan, a little if any 100-octane fuel. But all the combat planes of Great Britain and the United States use it.

Priorities officials have rated 100-octane gas with airplanes at the top of the list of prime military necessities; and the air triumphs on both sides in the opening engagements of the Pacific war have made the warbirds and this victory juice look ever more important.

Advantages Cited.

With 100-octane gas, which is dyed sky-blue merely for purposes of identification, warplanes can:

Fly faster; climb higher; use less fuel; maintain maximum speeds at higher altitudes; cruise farther, since engines are lighter and more gas can therefore be carried; store more bombs and ammunition, because of weight saved on smaller engines and less fuel.

Aviation gasoline, which is 25 cent more efficient than ordinary gas, is one of the newest military necessities—military because it is used exclusively in war planes, being rare and twice as expensive as ordinary gas.

It was first produced commercially in a small plant at Humble, Texas, in 1935. Scientists all over the world have been working on its development for a decade or more, and new methods of production are being patented almost every month.

But it has been developed on a large scale in the United States—by the result of American engineers' demand for more powerful fuel which would enable them to build smaller and lighter engines.

Great Britain produced practically no aviation gasoline when the war started and its warplanes did not have engines constructed to burn it. Now all British combat planes use it. The British produce some of the fuel themselves, but their supply comes largely from America.

Little Used by Nazis.

The Germans are believed to be fully able to manufacture 100-octane gasoline, but it is believed that they use little, if any. In their attempt to achieve economic self-sufficiency, they have kept their scientists trying to improve liquid fuel made from coal; and they have concentrated on development of Diesel engines, which burn a low-grade oil.

The Japanese, oil men in this country have heard, do not have engines which use 100-octane gas. What aviation gas they got from this country, it is understood, was used only as a blend to improve the quality of low-grade fuel.

In seeking to multiply America's output of aviation gasoline, Oil Co-ordinator Harold L. Ickes has shown the highly combustible, hard-driving qualities characteristic both of Ickes and of 100-octane gas.

Long before the interior secretary was made oil co-ordinator, he had been prodding the State Department to cut off the supply of American aviation gasoline to Japan. It was then the administration's policy to deal gently with Japan, but Ickes finally had his way.

Shortly after he was appointed oil czar, May 28, Ickes announced a program to double the output of aviation gasoline, which was then 1,680,000 gallons a day—several times as much as the rest of the world together could produce.

Ickes had suggested that the aviation gasoline producers should increase their capacity by 25 per cent.

By October, Ickes had decided that doubling the capacity would not be enough; it would have to be tripled. The industry as a whole agreed to the plan.

Ickes Planned Speedup

But within three days after the outbreak of the war with Japan, Ickes summoned all the leading producers to Washington and planned with them to speed up further their program for increasing capacity.

He has arranged loans to some companies; priorities for materials for new plants and extensions, and methods of conserving and controlling the present supply. The Department of Justice has agreed, Ickes' office has announced, not to let anti-trust regulations stand in the way of companies' pooling their resources in order to increase production.

Some companies holding patents on new processes have cut their royalty charges in half to make it possible for other companies to use their methods profitably.

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duces knocks, wastes power, and if it happens to be a very low grade gasoline, ruins warplane engines.

Warplanes are able to burn 91-octane gas, however, and in flying planes ordinarily do, in order to conserve the supply of the 100-octane fuel. Gas of 91-octane content is used by the commercial airlines, except in transoceanic planes, which use 100-octane. The strength of gas used for automobiles at filling stations is of 74 to 77-octane type. High-test gas rates from 80 to 82 octanes.

After the war, engineers predict, the automobile industry will be revolutionized. With an ample supply of cheap 100-octane gasoline, car manufacturers will be able to turn out autos with smaller, lighter, more efficient engines.

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U. S. Has Edge In Short Wave Propagandizing

By IRA WOLFERT.

(North American Newspaper Alliance.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—American's short wave propagandists have tumbled on into the war with a pronounced advantage on the European front, not only over their enemies, but over their allies as well.

For the fact is, as recorded in diplomatic quarters which are extremely interested in recording such matters, the world's international short wave propaganda broadcasts have scored only one officially registered and tangible "distress to the enemy" since the war began.

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Some time ago Santa sent word that he might be grounded, but Army and Navy officials at the last minute authorized the flight.

The route of the plane, manned by Boston Harbor Historian Edward Rowe Snow, his wife, and pilot Al Lecksheld, necessarily avoided eight of the 43 lighthouses visited in previous Christmases by Snow, however, for these now are military objectives.

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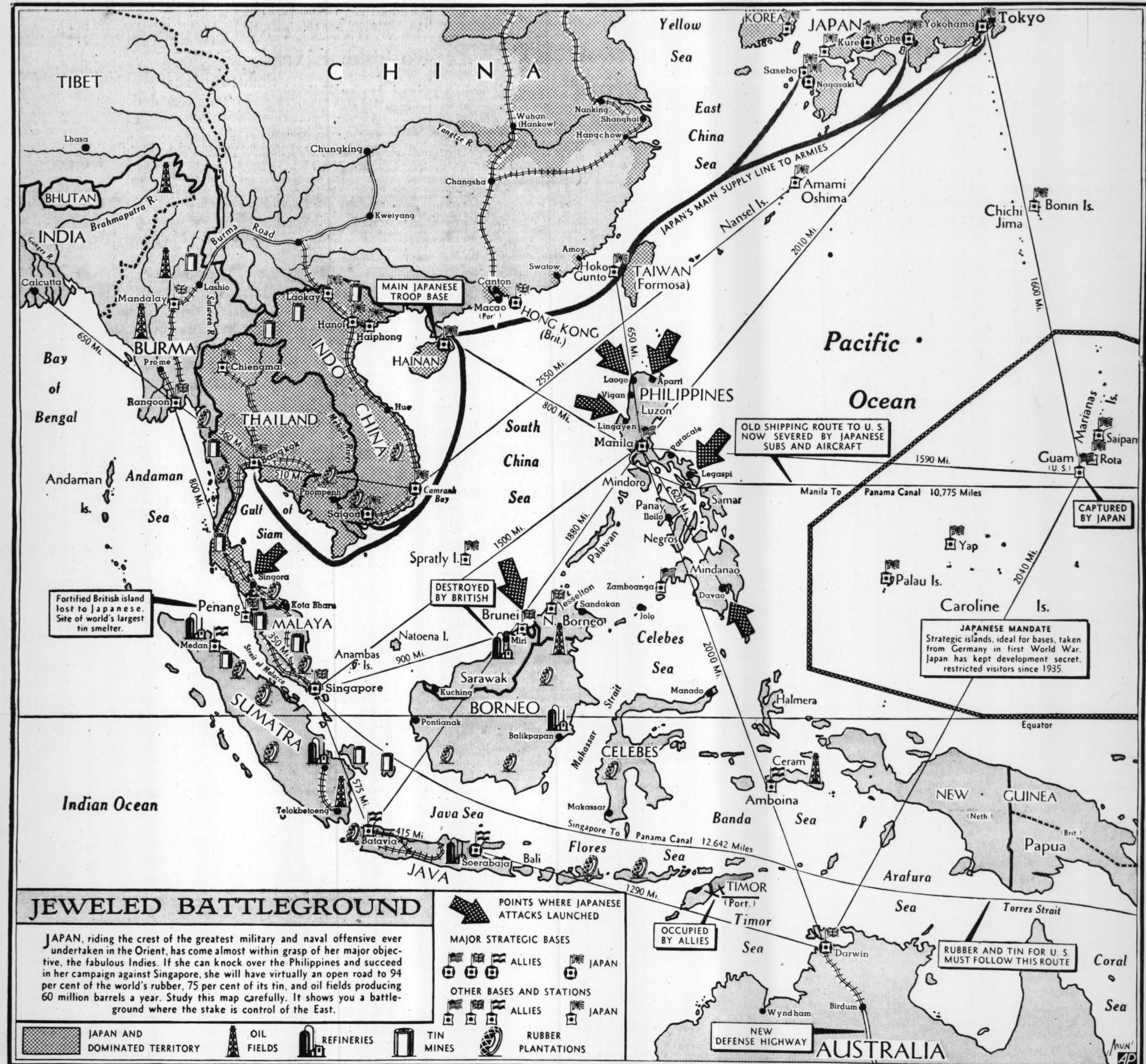
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U. S. Airplanes Outfight Japs in the Philippines

By ROYAL ARCH GUNNISON, before it was bombed. Evidence that it had been bombed before was scattered about. I was examining this evidence when the warning siren screamed.

Lieutenant Sam Maddux, of Oklahoma, who was standing near me, shouted:

"Pick a rabbit hole near the target. That's the safest place!"

I dove into the nearest hole. Sure enough, Maddux was right. Although the ground shook and dirt fell around me in this "rabbit hole," the bombs did not hit the target.

We climbed out and were examining the results of the bombing when a stocky, mustached cap-

tain of ordnance walked up. "Where are these duds?" he asked the lieutenant.

"Oh, the duds, captain," replied Maddux as though he had mislaid his cigar. "Oh, they're right here."

He walked about 20 feet to the place where he had been standing, looking at the enemy bombers as they fled from antiaircraft fire. I knew that a percentage of Japanese bombs do not go off, but it certainly gave me a funny feeling to realize that I had been standing on top of one of them.

In one area that I checked today I found that more than 30 duds had landed. They were poorly constructed bombs, but deadly stuff when they go off. Three rows of three-quarter-inch rivets shoot out like bullets. The ordnance people describe the Japanese bombs as double-purpose—to destroy the physical objective and "counter personnel," in other words anyone within range.

After we had brushed the dust and dirt off we got down to what the bomber pilots had accomplished. These men call themselves "truck drivers" because "we take off with a heavy load, go out somewhere and dump it and return to gas up, fill up and take out another load." They may be "truck drivers," but there is some pretty heroic and determined driving going on these days.

Typical Example.

One of the most typical examples of what these bomber crews are going through during approximately eight hours every day at altitudes of 20,000 feet and over is what Lieutenant Hewitt Wheless, of Fresno, Cal., and his crew pulled off in the line of a special mission the other day.

"When we got back the plane looked like a sieve," Wheless said, "but the holes just gave us more

fresh air inside. These babies (the Flying Fortresses) sure live up to their reputations."

One of the members of a ground crew who saw the plane said it had 1,500 bullet holes in it. Yet, Wheless—"Shorty" to his friends—brought the plane back and landed it.

"Maybe we hit them," Wheless said. "We certainly might have, but we were pretty busy where we were." He also explained that it was difficult to see the result of the bombing at such a height with the weather cloudy.

Killed Four Japs.

During the first attack by the Jap interceptors, Private Killian was killed. I was unable to obtain his home town or those of the other members of the bomber crew. Sergeant Gootee received a wound in the right hand in the same attack and Sergeant Russell Brown manned all the rear guns. Brown—now nicknamed "Guns"—jumped back and forth between the guns in the tail of the ship, firing like a mad man.

Here is what happened. On a bombing run—that is getting the plane set for the bombardier in the ship's nose to aim and drop a heavy rain of bombs—the plane

was attacked by no less than 18 Japanese "Zero" fighter pursuits and a few others which looked like Messerschmitts. Wheless held the bombardier on its true course and the bombardier dropped the first load of four troop transports. This was near Legaspi at the southern tip of Luzon.

It must have been some scrap. Members of the crew said bullets were everywhere, like swarms of red-hot bees. Bullets flew up from the rear of the ship between Wheless and his co-pilot, but due to the strength of the armor plate at their backs neither was scratched, although the dashboard was "pretty well tickled up." The tires of the bomber were punctured, but the crew fought off the 18 pursuit ships and Wheless outmaneuvered the Japs by seeking refuge in clouds whenever possible.

After driving off the Japs, who seemed puzzled that they couldn't shoot the plane down, Wheless took the plane with its wounded back to a field near a hospital. Although this field was covered with barricades to prevent the Japs from landing, he brought in the big ship at night with a belly landing. All the wounded crew members were saved.

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